

COMMENT OF
THE DAY

Ingenuous Ruse

HOWEVER much the West is inclined to welcome Russia's sudden decision to reduce her armed forces, the latest "suggestions" and "expectations" made by Moscow radio expose the move as another ingenuous ruse to embarrass the Allies. It is typical of Russia's blatant cheek to expect Washington, London and Paris to make corresponding reductions to their armed forces as a "gesture of faith" following her own week-end decision. No country in the world—but Russia—would have the effrontery to make such an implausible request.

And this asperity is fully justified in any Western reaction. What are the facts? For the first time since the end of the war—possibly since the late 1920's—Russia announces what is ostensibly a major cut in her armed forces. But it is impossible to judge the full importance of the decision, as the Foreign Office points out, because Moscow refuses to divulge the actual strength of her forces.

BUT if the estimate of six million is correct, Russia's forces, despite the cut, are still far in excess of the combined regular services of America, Britain and France. The Allies have been reducing their numbers consistently since 1945. Britain, for example, has cut hers by a fifth to under one million while America has reduced hers by at least half and possibly more to just under three million.

Russia has a vast numerical superiority on the continent of Europe. Her forces far exceed the total NATO manpower and yet she seriously expects the West to make further cuts at this stage as a gesture of faith? Moscow, by its announcement, is only just beginning to carry out what the Allies have completed in post-war disarmament. And it would be insane for the West to reduce its armed strength any further until Russia has released at least another million men from active service.

WHEN disarmament comes to be discussed by the Big Four foreign ministers in October perhaps Mr. Molotov will be confronted with these facts to show why the West dare not reduce below its present strength without seriously weakening its ability to withstand a sudden assault. Moscow should not forget that what Marshal Bulganin advocated at Geneva was that Russian, Chinese and American forces should be reduced to below 1.5 million while those of France and Britain should be reduced to 650,000. Britain and America are far nearer these targets than Russia.

Until her forces are reduced to a more realistic level it is quite impossible for the West to feel any pleasure at the Russian move, though if it is to be the first of a number of "stepped" reductions, it is obvious that a de facto disarmament solution, if not a de jure agreement, may eventually be found. But Moscow has got a lot more cutting to do yet.

It may be reckless to speculate on why Russia has made the reduction but many observers will no doubt find a more tenable explanation in her need to achieve a more realistic balance in manpower between industry and the huge and unproductive armed services. A dual motive is not doubted but she is obviously intent on extracting as much propaganda from the decision as possible. It is a game she has played too often, however, and no one should be fooled by her tactics.

Garrisons Alerted Throughout Britain

NEW IRA RAIDS FEARED

Storm Claims 42 Lives

Damage Estimated At \$15 Million

New York, Aug. 14. New York was busy clearing away the debris and repairing the damage left in the wake of one tropical storm today while another hurricane pursued an uncertain course that might put the city in its path.

Hurricane Connie—now only a storm—was losing its power over Lake Erie after cutting a deadly path up to the seaboard and inland through Connecticut and Pennsylvania. Winds that crept blew up to 135 miles an hour had been turned down to gusts of 30 to 35.

But her victims were still adding up the toll. At least 42 persons died in the weekend blow, while damage was estimated at \$15,000,000. States involved, besides Connecticut and Pennsylvania, were the Carolinas, Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey and New York.

A NEW STORM

Meanwhile, the new tropical storm Diane was reported 600 miles east of Vera Beach, Florida, moving in a west-north-west course at 10 miles per hour. Centre winds are estimated at 150 miles per hour.

Early morning rain in New York City halted at noon today, and the sun peeped occasionally through the clouds. Light showers were predicted for late afternoon and early evening, but no resumption was expected of the torrential downpours which preceded and accompanied Connie.

Light traffic was moving normally on all highways to and from the city, according to the Automobile Club, which said highway workmen had cleared up the flooding on the Northern State Parkway in Nassau County, eliminating a harassing detour.—United Press.

Armed Troops Guard Camps

London, Aug. 14

The War Office alerted all its garrisons throughout the United Kingdom today against a feared new commando raid by the Irish Republican Army.

The order went out to "take all necessary precautions" as IRA officials told a mass meeting they would push their drive to force British troops out of Northern Ireland by "force and the use of arms" if necessary.

A band of "commandos" from the Irish underground army yesterday raided the British Army Arborfield Barracks, only 35 miles from London, and escaped with 68 automatic rifles and machine-guns. They also seized 80,000 rounds of ammunition.

Scotland Yard agents and military police threw up a net of road checks, barricades and port inspection all over Britain. But only three of the estimated 20 raiders were captured and a small part of the ammunition recovered.

British newspapers reported that the one sentry at Arborfield had been armed only with a wooden pick handle. Officials planned a military inquiry on Monday or Tuesday to determine how the raiders managed to capture 20 soldiers and carry off two truckloads of ammunition without meeting resistance.

There were widespread rumours that the IRA, pledged to drive the British from Northern Ireland, were planning more raids.

ON STAND-TO BASIS

Armed sentries appeared before many British military camps today. Most Army, Navy and Air Force bases put their men on a "stand-to" basis ready to swing into action against any new raids.

Scotland Yard detectives and intelligence officers mingled with crowds at airports and railway stations. Heavy guards screened

passengers and baggage for Ireland-bound ships.

IRA members were openly jubilant. Danny Ryan, London recruiting agent for the revolutionary army, told a mass meeting in working-class Camden Town today:

"We will carry on until the tricolour of Ireland, the flag of the Irish Republic, flies over the City Hall in Belfast."

He said the IRA was "only sorry" that three men had been caught following yesterday's lightning raid.

Other IRA speakers echoed Ryan's pledge to drive the British from Ireland.

Police made no attempt to break up the meeting. There was some heckling, particularly from a Cockney housewife who shouted: "Into whose back will you put the bullets you stole yesterday?"

"The Republican Army is an army," retorted Ryan, "and it will take the field as an army against the British Army when the time is ripe."—United Press.



San Marino Election

Leftists Polling Well

San Marino, Aug. 14. The leftwing rulers of the 1,600-year-old republic of San Marino, only Communist-run state in Western Europe, seemed to have a slight edge tonight as first results came in from voting earlier in the day.

Final results in four out of 13 sections showed narrow victories for the Communists and their Socialist allies in three.

The Christian Democrats and Social Democrats won 289 votes against 235 for the leftwingers in one of the two sections of the postage stamp republic's capital. But in the other they were surprisingly lost by 210 votes to 220.

The anti-Communist parties had been expected to total a bigger margin in the city while the Communists and Socialists were expected to do better in the countryside.

DAY OF CONFUSION

Throughout the day confusion had gripped the republic as its male voters flocked to the polls to elect the 60 members of the Grand and General Council.

Catholic and Communist party "activists" urged voters to log old peasants to the polling booths. The sick and infirm in invalid chairs or on crutches were shepherded along to cast vital votes in a tight contest.

Then thousand tourists, in coaches and cars, flocked from dawn onwards into the capital city of San Marino, perched on the summit of Mount Titian.

They mingled with more than 1,000 San Marinese who had hurried home from the United States, Belgium, France and surrounding Italy to help the 15,000 inhabitants choose the republic's rulers for the next four years.—Reuter.

Bing Crosby's Son Injured

Washington, Aug. 14. Philip Crosby, 21-year-old son of crooner Bing Crosby, was injured today when his car crashed through guard railings and two embankments on a hill just inside the Raymond City limits.

One report said the injuries did not appear serious.

Crosby's car was demolished by the time it had ripped up four guard posts, crashed over a 15-foot embankment and rolled across railway tracks, down another incline and onto the main highway along the Willapa River.

An ambulance driver, Harold Paxton, said Crosby told him he "had fallen asleep" at the wheel.—United Press.

The scene as the Police, who were called in clashed with the dockers who staged a protest strike for higher wages in Amsterdam. Police dispersed the strikers when they attempted to march through the city.—London Express Photo.

Engine Room Explosion Mystery

San Francisco, Aug. 14. Shipping officials said today that they were "still in the dark" as to the cause of a "strange" engine room explosion aboard the Norwegian motorship Tancred which killed two crewmen and seriously injured four others.

The Tancred, a 9,700-ton freighter carrying a crew of 42 and 11 passengers, limped into port from a point 120 miles west of here where an explosion and fire ripped through the main engine room.

The blast was confined below decks but the main electrical power and the ship's evaporators were knocked out.

The ship was operated by the Overseas Shipping Company, Captain Per Hoeg, operating manager for the line, told newsmen the Tancred's Captain Olav Moen, of Oslo, "went over the engine room to find the cause of the explosion. He was unable to."

"It is very strange," observed Captain Hoeg. "So strange that everyone is afraid to say just what happened."

A passenger, William Evans, 16, of Inglewood, California, said he "saw a flash and then a small fire."

"It was just like a gunshot," he said. "Smoke came pouring up and two men ran out—completely naked, and the second badly burned and tearing his clothes off."

Six men on duty in the engine room were caught by the blast. Two apparently were killed instantly. The casualties were all Norwegians.

The dead were Kgeil Pettersen, 21, officer of Frederikstad, and Anders Lund, 16, an engine boy from Hord.

IN SERIOUS CONDITION Sent to hospital with second and third degree burns were: Erling Ravan, 23, assistant engineer, Elkefjord; Anders Tufeland, 55, refrigeration engineer, Fjlar; Gunnar Bjaland, 35, motorman, Bravik; and Bjorn Hansen, 19, of Oslo.

A spokesman for the Marine Hospital said their condition was serious but all were expected to recover.

Overseas Shipping officials immediately began questioning the crew and examining the engine room to determine the cause of the explosion. They said no announcement would be made until the investigation was completed.—United Press.

GOVT RESIGNS

Paris, Aug. 14. The Government of Premier Moise Sharett decided today to present its resignation to the President of Israel, Ben-Zvi, according to Jerusalem reports. The Sharett Government was formed 19 months ago.—France Press.

Amsterdam Riot



Parson Hopes For Atomic War

London, Aug. 14.

A British parson, the Rev. Philip Francis, wrote in his regular pastoral letter this week, "I hope we have an atomic war. It would be the finest thing that could happen to us."

The 54-year-old vicar of Marthall (Cheshire), whose statement aroused astonished comment among other British clergymen, gave three reasons for his desire:

1. That the world is bound to have an atomic war anyway.
2. That something good might come out of it, like a world government, for instance.
3. Anyway, that would be the best way to enter the atomic age.

The Rev Francis mocked the "ignorant scientist" who, he said, were trying to frighten people about the consequences of atomic explosions. He said that from the beginning of the world, there has been more atomic radiation than that caused by atomic bombs.

In any case, he said, all things which are truly good would be preserved from destruction.—France-Press.

Freighter Sinks

Hamilton, Bermuda, Aug. 14.

The 2,500-ton British freighter, Wyckwood, sank in shallow water off Bermuda late last night after being abandoned by her crew when the salvage pumps failed to keep up with the water flowing in.

She foundered and sank in the middle of the night, leaving only the tips of her masts showing above the water.—Reuter.

S. Korea Celebrates Independence Day

GIs Stand-By For Trouble

Seoul, Aug. 15. American soldiers, armed as if for war, were alerted today against possible South Korean riots as the young Republic of Korea celebrated 10 years of freedom from Japanese rule.

U.S. commanders told troops guarding Communist truce inspectors to be prepared in case government-inspired demonstrations again threaten the safety of the Polish and Czech truce inspectors.

Tens of thousands of people will gather in major cities throughout South Korea on this 10th anniversary of Japan's World-War II surrender, which gave Korea its independence but caused the tragic split between Communism and Democracy.

ROK President, Syngman Rhee, who will keynote the holiday with a thundering demand to repel rather than negotiate with the Reds, has ordered his people to avoid bloodshed in opposing the Poles and Czechs.

TAKING NO CHANCES

But US Army officials, bound by the two-year armistice agreement to protect the Communist inspectors from harm, are taking no chances.

About 5,000 American troops are crouching in foxholes and behind sandbags, steel water-tanks and barbed-wire gates to keep South Koreans from breaking into the truce inspection compounds.

The GIs are armed with bayonets, rifles, baseball bats as well as smoke and gas grenades.

United Press photographer Hank Egan, reported early today from besieged Wmli Island, one of the inspection compounds, that nearly 200 South Koreans were camped outside the steel wire gate.

Blinding 60-inch US Army searchlights were trained on the demonstrators, mostly women, to prevent any move toward the barricaded gate.

MILLING ROUND GATES

From Pusan, another neutral nations inspection point, United Press correspondent Jack Russell telephoned that nearly 700 South Koreans were milling around the three gates to the US compound.

Several Koreans climbed up a crude wooden tower they erected beside the main gate and with field glasses studied the battlefield-like defence inside the compound.

Three barbed-wire defence perimeters encircle the truce inspectors' quarters inside Hialeah, a former Japanese race track.

Troops of five US infantry companies plus vicious K-9 war dogs are patrolling the barbed-wire entanglements.—United Press.

"Peaceful Invasion" Of Goa Scheduled For Today

Panjim, Goa, Aug. 14.

Police were moving into position tonight along Goa's 165-mile border with India on the eve of the threatened "invasion" of the Portuguese settlement by between 2,000 and 3,000 unarmed Indians.

The Indians are preparing to mark the seventh anniversary of Indian independence on August 15 with the "greatest peaceful invasion in history" in a bid to force Portugal to abandon her three territories on the Indian sub-continent—Goa, Daman and Diu.

The demonstrators, who want Goa merged with India say they will cross at 12 secret points.

Portuguese troops are also standing by but the Governor of Goa, General Pualo Bernard Guedes, has stated that they will only be used against an invading army and not against unarmed demonstrators.

The acting police commander, Captain J. Pinto Braz, said in an interview that the police under him had been instructed that "violent measures should not be used against unarmed people who violate our frontiers unless they disobey orders or show resistance."

"If violent measures are necessary, tear gas or batons must be used first and these measures are judged sufficient." "Firing must only be resorted to in very serious cases, and then the first shots must be into the air, as a warning."

AS LAST RESORT

"If orders are still disobeyed, fire should be directed in front of the demonstrators' feet and only in the last resort if warnings are still unheeded should the demonstrators be fired on," Captain Pinto Braz said.

The Indian government has stated that it will hold the Portuguese authorities responsible for any violent action taken against unarmed demonstrators.

Tomorrow's march is being organized by all parties of the Goa Liberation Committee. The committee has collected 50,000 rupees to finance the demonstration and to provide transport to the frontier food and medical facilities.

Its President is a member of the ruling Congress Party, which has relaxed an earlier ban on its members taking part in the move for the merger of the 1,500 square miles Portuguese Indian territories with India.

They may take part as individuals though the Congress

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Volunteers Begin March

Bombay, Aug. 14.

Five hundred Indian volunteers left Belgaum, a town on the eastern side of the Goa frontier at dawn this morning on a 30-mile trek to the nearest border point.

The volunteers decide to cover the distance on foot in view of an order by the Bombay state government denying them lorry transport.

Marching briskly in bright sunshine with Indian tricolour flags held aloft, the volunteers declared they hoped to "liberate" several Goa villages and "occupy them" until they were dealt with by Portuguese police, the Press Trust of India reported tonight.

Two lorries with food and medical supplies followed the procession, which included 12 medical students.

Another batch of 100 volunteers left Belgaum today by

buses for Savantwadi on the northern border. Five hundred volunteers had left earlier for the same town.

A total of 1,200 volunteers was expected to cross the border at Banka near Savantwadi. They plan to march into Goa tomorrow morning at exactly the same time as the Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru, unfurls the Indian national flag in an Independence Day ceremony at the historic Red Fort in Delhi.

Three hundred more volunteers will be sent to various points on the border from Belgaum today.

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GRANDVAL'S URGENT APPEAL

Give Confidence Until Publication Of Govt Scheme

Rabat, Aug. 14.

M. Gilbert Grandval, French Resident-General in Morocco, tonight called on the population of Morocco to give him their confidence until September 12, by which time he said the Government's plan for the protectorate would be published.

M. Grandval, who returned here today after four days in Paris, said in a radio broadcast that, according to Premier Edgar Faure's words, "By September 12 at the latest, the present critical phase in Morocco should be concluded."

Czechs New Production Programme

Prague, Aug. 14.

Czechoslovakia's industrial production will increase 9.7 per cent next year and her agriculture production by 8.3 per cent, according to the State economic plan for 1956, press reports said here today.

Reports quoted the Chairman of the State Planning Office, Mr. Otakar Simunek, as calling especially for increased production in heavy industries. The Chairman told a conference of economic workers that in spite of present successes, agricultural production was still low. He also urged a "decisive improvement" in the development of investment building where the plan for the first half of this had not been fulfilled.

Productivity

Mr. Simunek declared that to carry out these tasks would need greater productivity and more economising.

The following percentage increases over 1955 production were planned for next year in different branches of industry, he said.

Coal: 5.4 per cent, brown coal: 10.7, electric power: 10.5, iron ore: 32.1, crude iron: 11.3, crude steel: 13.1, engineering production: 13 (tractors, agricultural and textile machinery, motorcars), and the chemical industry more than eleven per cent (artificial manure, plastics, fuel oil).

Next year will be the third year of Czechoslovakia's second five-year plan. — China Mail Special.

Gypsies Going To Coronation Of King

Durban, Aug. 14.

In about a year from now all the gypsies in South Africa will leave for the United States, and with them will go South Africa's opportunity of seeing the coronation of their king.

The gypsies have received their passports and visas. In less than two months' time the period of mourning for the late king will end and the coronation can take place. It will not be held in South Africa.

A member of the gypsy royal family who is camped in Welkom, said that there were too few of the people in this country to justify the coronation being held there. — China Mail Special.

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The French Resident-General called on the population of Morocco to exercise "self control" during the intervening period. This he said would help him in a "very difficult task" that could not be accomplished "quickly" without a background of "calm and peace."

Close Contact

The Resident-General said in his broadcast that he intended to keep in "close contact" with "the most representative figures in Moroccan public opinion."

After this day he said, he would concentrate on other pressing issues such as economic, social and youth problems.

M. Grandval visited the Sultan of Morocco, Sidi Mohammed Ben Arafa this evening and handed him two official letters, one from M. Faure and the other from President Rene Coty. — France-Press.

DENTIST'S BITING PROTEST

Sydney, Aug. 14.

An irate dental surgeon here has mounted 20 bad teeth extracted from the mouth of a country boy for presentation to the New South Wales Education Department as a biting protest against the Department's attitude to outback children and dental care.

The dentist returned from a month's tour of the State's Far West Dental Clinic, which travelled 2,000 miles and visited 10 towns in the north and north-west of the State. The clinic treated 788 children, extracted 1,688 teeth, and filled 308.

Commented the surgeon, who went along in an honorary capacity: "Outback kids are still getting a raw deal, there is a crying need for a full time dentist to tour small country towns where children can get no attention locally."

He described the teeth of many youngsters he attended as "frightful." — China Mail Special.

SIREN CALL

Melbourne, Aug. 14.

The first of 100 "Hollywood type" sirens have been fitted to police wireless patrol cars here, but with them went a warning from senior police officials that drivers using them "indiscriminately" would be "grounded."

A police spokesman said the sirens would be used only in cases of emergency to assist police cars get through heavy traffic on urgent calls, and to escort ambulances when lives were endangered.

Police cars here were originally fitted with bells as a warning to traffic. — China Mail Special.

Princess Leaves London



Princess Margaret leaves Clarence House in London with the Queen Mother for London Airport to join the Royal Family in Scotland. Princess Margaret will be 25 years of age on August 21. — Express Photo.

Pipeline Destroyed EGYPT CENSURED BY COMMISSION

Jerusalem, Aug. 14.

The Israel-Egyptian Mixed Armistice Commission today censured Egypt for the destruction on June 25 of the main pipeline carrying water from Kissoufim, in the Gaza area, to the Negev area.

The Commission ruled that the act constituted "a violation of the armistice agreement by Egypt," according to a United Nations statement made public here.

According to the Commission's findings, the demolition of the pipe was carried out by a group of three people who crossed the line from the Egyptian-held Gaza strip.

The Commission's Chairman, Lieutenant Colonel Francois Xavier Giacomaggi of France, abstained from voting on another Israeli complaint concerning an incident on July 23, when two hand grenades were thrown into a house in the village of Paltish, about ten miles east of the Egyptian lines. Two civilians were seriously injured by the explosion.

Not Conclusive

Explaining his abstention, the Chairman said "although there is a strong presumption that this act was committed by people coming from Egyptian-controlled territory, I abstained from voting in the absence of conclusive evidence."

Commenting on the Chairman's abstention, an Israeli Foreign

Ashes For Sabotage

Prague, Aug. 14.

Stefan Varga, a kulak (well-to-do peasant), was caught sowing ashes instead of seed in his fields at Sahy, Slovakia.

This was an "original" attempt to sabotage agricultural production, the Czechoslovak Communist party newspaper Rude Pravo reported. — China Mail Special.

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GERMAN PROPOSALS TO RUSSIA

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Gen. Ayub Khan

London, Aug. 14. General Ayub Khan, Commander-in-Chief of the Pakistan Army, arrived here by air this afternoon to attend the annual Imperial Staff conference of the Chief of the Imperial General Staff, Field-Marshal Sir John Harding, which will be held later this month at Camberley (Surrey).—France-Press.

'Nuclear Age'

SCIENCE
TEACHERS
IN DEMAND

Paris, Aug. 14. The sudden coming of the "Nuclear Age" will create an "emergency demand" for science teachers in secondary schools throughout the world, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) said today.

It gave this warning in a report published here today which was sent to the Geneva conference on the peaceful uses of atomic energy.

Universities and technical colleges should include theoretical and practical training in radioactivity, but more specialised training, such as that needed to operate reactors, should be given in new training centres to be set up by the nuclear establishments themselves.

UNESCO said one effect of the growth of nuclear power would be to give a great stimulus to scientific education in lower schools.

The organisation would try particularly to expand science teaching in the under-developed countries that had most to gain from nuclear power but whose schools' systems had not yet been directed towards modern science.

"A forced nuclear economy could be dangerously incompatible with an unsound culture," the 12-page report declared.—China Mail Special.

Additional Points
Suggested For
Moscow Agenda

DIPLOMATIC NOTE

Bonn, Aug. 15.

West Germany proposed that Dr Konrad Adenauer's conversations with Russian leaders in Moscow should begin "about September 9" in a note published here today.

The note, handed over to the Soviet Ambassador in Paris, Mr Sergei Vinogradov, on August 12, proposed that beyond the subjects proposed for discussion by the Russians, topics in Moscow should include "the united Germany as a state," and the release of Germans held in the Soviet Union and the Soviet sphere.

The note said in full: "The (West German) Federal Government acknowledges the receipt of the Soviet Government's note of August 3, 1955, expressing the Soviet Government's wish to carry out the proposed negotiations between governmental delegations from the Soviet Union and the Federal Republic of Germany in Moscow at the end of August or beginning of September.

Agreement

"The Federal Government wants to fall in with this wish. Since the trip requires certain preparations in Bonn, which are made difficult by the parliamentary holiday during August, the Federal Government proposes for the start of the negotiations in Moscow a date about September 9.

"The Federal Government has already, in its note of June 30, 1955, expressed its agreement with the Soviet proposal of June 7, 1955, to examine the question of the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries and the questions related thereto.

"In view of the fact that the Soviet Government, in its note of August, 1955, has suggested also to examine the question of the exchange of documents for the establishment of diplomatic relations, the conclusion of a commercial treaty and the conclusion of a cultural treaty, the Federal Government declares itself agreed that in the course of the negotiations ways and means are discussed which appear appropriate to prepare the exchange of such documents and the conclusion of appropriate agreements in the above-mentioned spheres.

"The Federal Government is of the opinion that a discussion of the opening of diplomatic, commercial and cultural relations makes necessary the dis-

cussion of other questions related politically to the questions named by the Soviet Government and which can, in particular, not be separated from the question of the taking up of diplomatic relations between the two countries.

"This belongs to the question of the unity of Germany as a state, on the solution of which depends the creation of a system to guarantee European security.

"Furthermore there belongs to this the question of the release of those Germans, who are still detained within the territory of the Soviet Union, or are otherwise prevented from leaving this area.

"A quick solution of this question is awaited with longing by the entire German people and is considered by it as an indispensable element of the normalisation of its relations to the Soviet Union.

Frank Discussion

"The Federal Government is convinced that a satisfactory solution of the question advanced by the Soviet Government requires a frank discussion and an understanding of the two governments about the above-mentioned related problems."

Government circles said the German request for discussions on re-unification and the release of prisoners did not amount to a "precondition" such as the Russians have refused to accept. The note had merely taken up the original Russian proposal that questions related to the establishment of relations be put on the agenda.

Observers recalled, however, that since first asking Adenauer to Moscow, Russia had made clear at the Geneva "summit" conference its belief that a European security system took precedence over German re-unification.

The Russians took the line that re-unification must come about as the result of agreement between the West Germany and the Communist rulers of East Germany.—Reuter.

Czechs Ready
To Be
Friendly

Vienna, Aug. 14.

Prague radio replying to Marshal Tito's recent speech attacking the Czech and Hungarian rulers for lack of friendship to Yugoslavia, said tonight that Czechoslovakia was ready to take measures to improve relations.

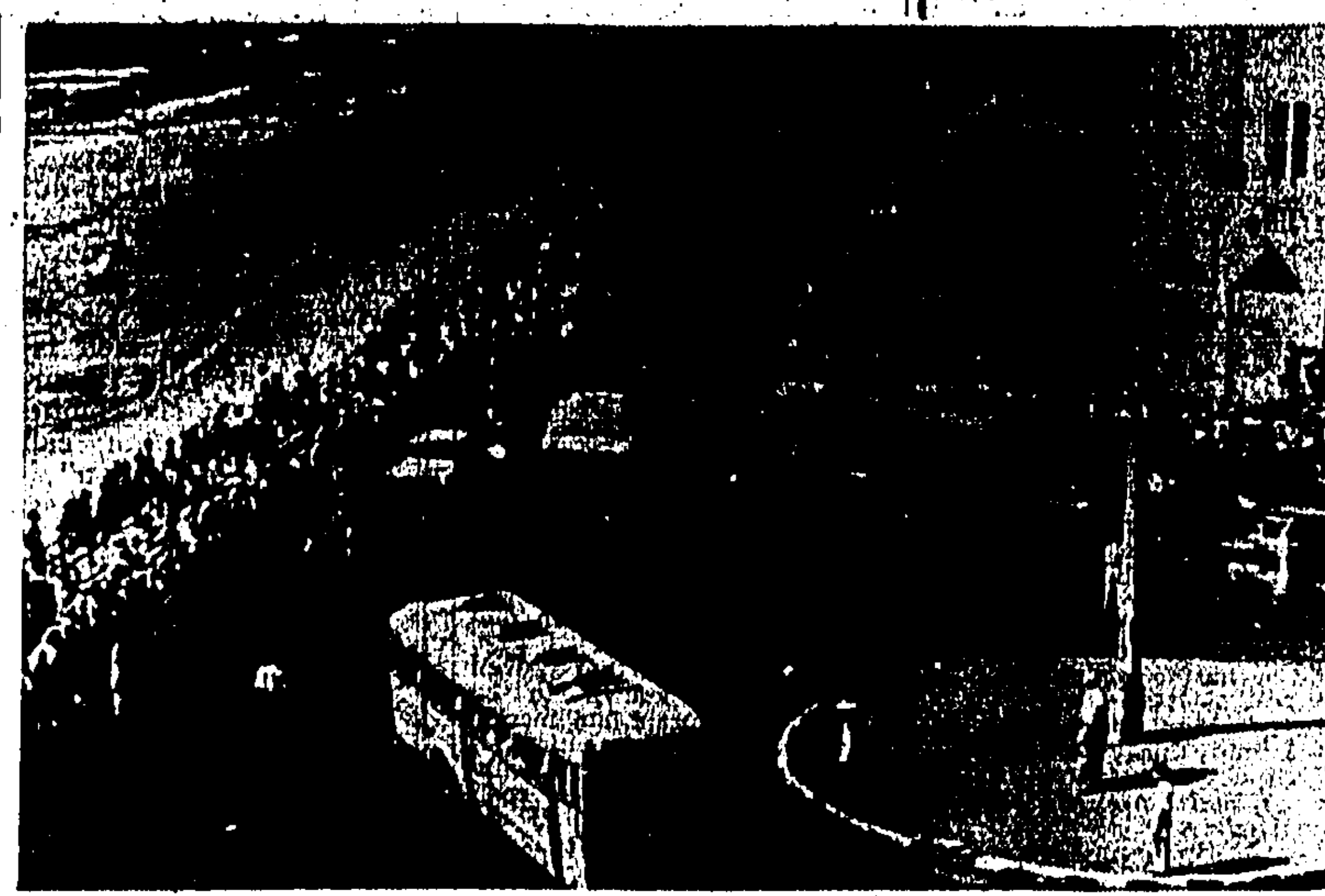
The Czech Government had welcomed the Russian leaders' visit to Belgrade in May and the decision taken at Bucharest with the East European leaders to improve relations with Yugoslavia, the radio said.

To this end the Government planned a great campaign when party members would tour Czechoslovakia to explain recent developments in Yugoslavia. The Czechoslovak people were impressed by reports that the material on which serious accusations against the Yugoslav leaders in 1949 were based was false and that its authors were unmasked as imperialist agents," the radio declared.—Reuter.

BANK REFUSED
LICENCE

New Delhi, Aug. 14.

The Reserve Bank of India yesterday refused to license the British India Banking Corporation to do business in India. The refusal means that the Corporation must close down its operations in India, including its branches in Calcutta, Bombay and Madras.



AFTER FIFTEEN YEARS...

Paper Rationing
Ends March

London, Aug. 14.

Government control over the number of pages Britain's newspapers may publish is to end in March after 15 years of rationing.

Announcing this today, the Board of Trade said users of newsprint will, in effect, be allowed to import all the newsprint which at present seems likely to be available.

COW SHOES

Adelaide, Aug. 14.

To Frank Coonan, blacksmith at Bordertown, about 180 miles southeast of Adelaide, farmer D. R. Milne took a valuable cow whose hooves were spreading in wet ground.

Coonan placed the cow in a crush-pen and shod it.

The cow is reported to have "taken to" its new footwear.—China Mail Special.

Inter-Arab Pact

Not Signed

NASSER
BLAMES
SYRIA

Damascus, Aug. 14.

Egyptian Premier Gamal Abdel Nasser, in an interview published in the Syrian newspaper Al Fajha, said today that Syria was responsible for the delay in the signature of an inter-Arab pact between Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Syria.

Col. Nasser asked why signature of the pact was being delayed, said: "I am ready at any time to sign the three-power inter-Arab alliance." But he said that the Syrian Government "diminished the value of this alliance."

Col. Nasser added: "Syria, which taught Arabism and was the promoter of Arab Union, today takes another attitude. I prefer not to bring up this subject, for it hurts me as it hurts all Arabs."

"Believe me, I do not know where the alliance stands now or what its fate will be. At any rate, this question now depends upon Syria, and only upon Syria."—France-Press.

PHONES OUT
IN FLEET ST

London, Aug. 14.

Heavy rain caused a cable fault which put about 150 telephone lines in the Fleet Street area—London's newspaper centre—out of action for almost 15 hours today.—China Mail Special.

SCHOLAR PROVES A POINT

Calcutta, Aug. 14. Swami Sankarananda, a Sanskrit scholar from the Indian University of Viswa Bharati, announced today that he has deciphered inscriptions from the 32nd century B.C. proving that an Aryan civilisation here was already Indian and not brought from Mesopotamia.

Thus, he reasoned, the Aryans from the ancient city of Mohenjodaro (now part of the Pakistani Province of West Punjab) were indigenous peoples and not as archaeologists have believed, Aryan invaders who attacked and destroyed the existing inhabitants.

On the contrary, the scholar opined, these Aryans from India invaded Persia and Mongolia, and also fought King Hammurabi of Babylon, whose dynasty was overthrown by an Aryan race called "Elamites".

The clay seals were excavated by archaeologists from the ruins of Mohenjodaro and the script has until now not been deciphered.—France-Press.

Air Victims'
Funeral'ATOMS-for-PEACE'
Scientists Relax
At Geneva

Geneva, Aug. 14.

Nearly 1,500 delegates, interpreters, secretaries, stenographers, receptionists and messengers from 72 nations joined in the holiday spirit round Lake Geneva today before resuming the "atoms-for-peace" conference at the Palace of Nations tomorrow.

But an unlucky few put in a full working day preparing and distributing tons of documents for the second and final week of the United Nations sponsored conference on the peaceful uses of atomic energy.

During the coming week, the conference is expected to highlight as it did last week the fact that the three major atomic powers, Britain, the United States and the Soviet Union, have progressed independently on remarkably parallel lines to the same knowledge of atomic power in industry, agriculture and medical science.

Leading nuclear scientists from East and West will discuss and exchange information in their respective fields for something like 36 hours—six hours a day—this week.

Sessions on highly technical and specialised subjects will be held continuously in the conference rooms of the palace with special film shows on atomic subjects.

The first week was marked by a number of parties given after sessions by the different delegations and more are expected this week when scientists will be able to relax and exchange personal experiences of their work in the atomic laboratories of their own countries.

Britain, which has already given one party for delegates, plans another later this week when her leading engineering concerns keen to obtain firm orders for atomic power plants, plan a party for delegates, industrialists and business firms from all participating nations.

Roman Catholic Bishop Francois Charrier of Lausanne, Geneva and Fribourg tonight celebrated pontifical mass to ask divine protection for the conference.

Many delegate scientists were among a large congregation in the Basilica of Notre Dame. Father Henri de Riedmatten, Ecclesiastical Assistant to the information centre for Catholic international organisations in Geneva, preached the sermon.—Reuter.

PITCAIRN
GETS
LIT UP

Wellington, Aug. 14.

Electric power has come to Pitcairn Island, lonely home of the descendants of the Bounty mutineers.

During the war, two diesel generators for a radio station were brought to the island and hauled to its highest point by tractor.

Recently the islanders, who now number 100, decided to make use of one of the machines, which have been lying idle for a long time.

All available manpower was mustered. With the help of wheelbarrows and sledges, the heavy motor was brought down the 900-foot hill to the island's only settlement of Adamstown.

Unfortunately some of the parts were missing, so the minister, Pastor N.A. Ferris, was ferried out to a visiting ship and a sympathetic captain allowed them to be manufactured in the engine room.

Now the island has electric lighting at the landing place at Bounty Bay, through the main street to the village and in the church and other buildings.—China Mail Special.

Able To Relax

Throughout the coming week perhaps the most valuable results of the conference will be gained in the informal contacts between delegates from Russia and the West over lunch and dinner in the restaurants and canteens of the Palace of Nations and the leading hotels.

Limited Market

The Editor explained that a limited export market was part of the overall Philippine economic problem of shrinking dollar reserves. His country now depends on the US for some 85 per cent of its total imports.

Mr Del Rosario was greeted on his arrival here by the Tass deputy chief, Mr Valentin B. Seliverstov and by the head of its Far Eastern section, Mr Victor P. Nikolsky. The latter has been his guide on a sight-seeing tour of Moscow, including the Tass news agency, the renowned subway, the Tolstoy House and an agricultural exhibition.

On Thursday, Mr Del Rosario will visit the Soviet Foreign Ministry, and also call on the US Ambassador, Mr Charles E. Bohlen.—France-Press.

London, Aug. 14.

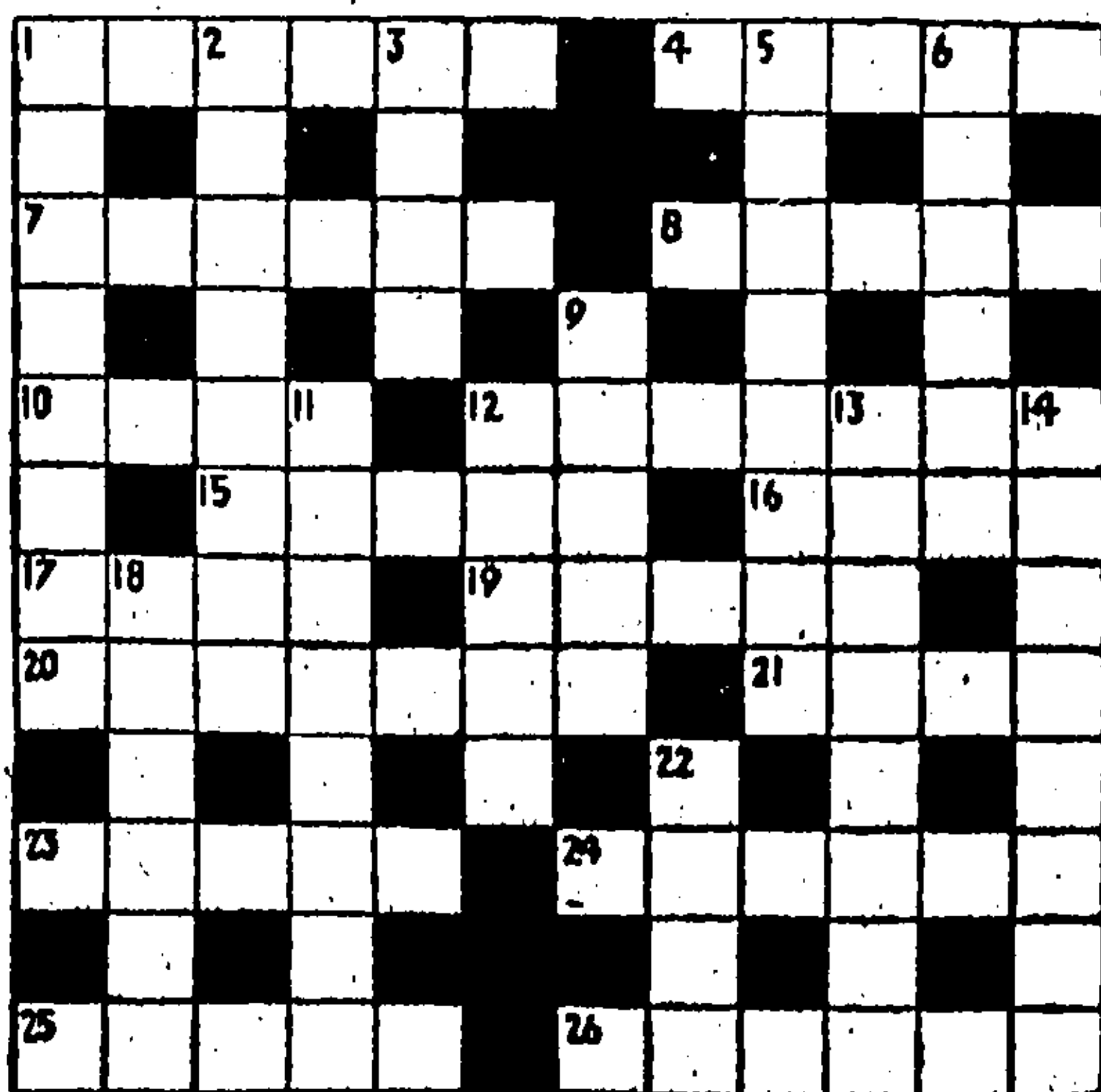
More than 20 people were injured, five of them seriously, when a motor coach carrying 30 passengers crashed on Dumkery, the highest point on the Exmoor hills in Somerset today.—China Mail Special.

RETURN FROM LATVIA



Seventy-year-old Mrs. Leticia, a Latvian woman, who has been waiting 10 years to leave Soviet territory, is being repatriated to her native Latvia. She is the wife of a Latvian who was killed in the war. She has a daughter who is now living in Latvia.—France-Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 Firearm (6).
- 4 Reverses (5).
- 7 Highest conceptions (8).
- 8 Sharp (5).
- 10 Converse (4).
- 12 Scolds (7).
- 15 Tramp (5).
- 16 Repose (4).
- 17 Wild plum (4).
- 19 Bird (3).
- 20 Legislator (7).
- 21 Clever (4).
- 23 Carp (5).
- 24 Respectable (6).
- 25 Margin (5).
- 26 Spoken (5).

DOWN

- 1 Royal Lady (8).
- 2 Kind of furniture (8).
- 3 Librarian (4).
- 5 Asserted (8).
- 6 Taxes (6).
- 9 Tree (5).
- 11 Negotiating (8).
- 12 Nobleman (5).
- 13 Apartment house (8).
- 14 Laws (3).
- 18 Ambassador (6).
- 22 Fruit (4).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3 Emeralds, 6 Emerald, 9 Salsified, 11 Marauder, 12 Code, 15 Deputy, 18 Delay, 19 Elch, 22 Dastard, 24 Cardinal, 25 Lesson, 26 Elements. Down: 1 Deems, 2 Smart, 3 Ensured, 4 Mead, 5 Root, 6 Letter, 7 Sudden, 10 Legal, 14 Begun, 15 Rattles, 16 Rescue, 17 Scarce, 20 Prize, 21 Using, 23 Dico, 25 Salt.

WEEK-END BOWLS

IRC "BLUES" GIVE THE CHAMPIONS SOME ANXIOUS MOMENTS

By "TOUCHER"

All the leading teams of the three divisions of the League, Recreio "Blues", Taikoo Club and Kowloon Dock Club, came through the week-end League games with decisive wins to consolidate their lead.

The strongest opposition by far was that given to the Recreio "Blues" by a gallant band of Indian Recreation Club "Blues" bowlers. Although the Champion Recreio "Blues" won eventually by four points to one, the decision was in doubt until the last five heads of the game.

The Indians fielded their two full Colony open quarter-final rink skipped by A. M. Omar and U. A. Rummah who were drawn against the Recreio fours skipped by Johnny Ribeiro and Raoul Luz.

Both these Indian Recreation Club fours lived up to their reputation as the top contenders for this year's rink honours when Omar and his men took a commanding 9-1 lead on the first five heads and Rummah's four held the redoubtable Luz to 10-10. M. B. Hassan's four were then only 5-8 down against C. E. Passos' four.

A heavy shower at the end of the 9th head sent the bowlers scurrying into the pavilion for tea. Recreio were only two shots up then on the aggregate.

Almost three-quarters of an hour elapsed before the game could be continued and the Indians struck back with a three by Omar, two by U. A. Rummah and a single by M. B. Hassan.

RETALIATED

When a close finish looked imminent, Recreio "Blues" came back with all their might in the next head when they retaliated with eight shots on the three rinks.

Omar enjoyed a 12-shot lead at one period, until one head when he promoted an opposing front wood with his first delivery and was very unlucky with his drive on his second wood when he took out about three of his near woods to give Ribeiro a count of four.

This started Ribeiro and his men on their upward trend which saw them closing the gap until within two shots, when they lost a three on the 18th head to eventually concede the match to Omar by 17-22 and give IRC "Blues" their only point.

Some excellent bowling by the front men of both sides, despite the unsuitable condition of the green, featured the play. Especially prominent were J. S. Archer, George Gutierrez, Jeff Hoosen, Joe Luz, A. K. Minu, Spotty Pereira, and the two Recreio No. 2's, Lionel Rodrigues and S. E. Souza.

Both Kowloon Cricket Club and Craignower remained within striking distance of the Champions with a 4-1 victory each. Kowloon Cricket Club still have a faint chance of overtaking the "Blues" if they win all their four remaining matches by a 5-0 margin, which will bring their aggregate to 62 points, and the "Blues" no down to either Craignower or KBGC by a 4-1 margin.

Craignower are practically out of the running. Even should they beat the "Blues" by 4-1 or even 5-0 their best possible aggregate is 59½ points.

FIELD DAY

In the Second Division, Taikoo had a field day against Hongkong Cricket Club, who were nowhere near their giant-killing form. There was, however, no lack of trying on the part of the cricketers who actually held their opponents to only a seven-shot lead on the aggregate at the end of the 11th head.

It was only after tea that they fell off badly. Angus' four stuck up bravely to 10-14 on the 17th head, when Willy Brown and his men rattled off a single two twos and another single on the remaining four heads to win comfortably by 20-10.

Marshall's four were only two shots down against Baxter on the 18th head, but a stronger flush by the Taikoo four enabled them to get through with a 20-14 score.

The Third Division games saw Kowloon Dock chalk up their 18th straight win of the season. With only three matches more to go and these against fairly weak opponents, the dockmen are now almost assured of an unbeaten record through the season.

OPEN TRIPLES

Yesterday one more event of the Colony Open Championships — the Triples — reached its quarter-final stage with the play-off of the seven remaining third-round matches.

Previously played were the matches between the Noronha brothers and HKFC triple of K. Farrow, P. Gardner and J. K. Sloan which ended in a narrow one-shot win for the HKFC bowlers.

One major upset highlighted yesterday's games. This was the 23-14 defeat of the Luz brothers by the Craignower combination of George Hong Choy, F. O. Madar and S. L. Leonard. Striding some of their best forms of the season, the winners chalked up five shots on the first three heads and then jumped ahead to a 10-1 lead by the end of the 7th head.

They were still ahead 10-1 at the end of the 12th. A desperate effort by the favoured Luz brothers saw them closing up the gap to 14-18. In a brilliant finish, however, the winners scored two twos and a single to clinch the match.

The other top favourite combination of M. B. Hassan, Ismail Ali and A. M. Omar gained a fairly easy 23-19 win over KBGC's J. Tindall, F. C. Gasson and L. F. Cosgrove despite the plucky efforts of the losers who

scored a four and a two on the last two heads.

Quarter-finalists in the Singles event are now P. F. da Luz, M. B. Hassan, W. Hong Sing, E. J. Liddell, A. K. Minu, F. R. Keramani, C. C. Ma and A. R. A. Rahman.

Ma and Rahman were the last two to reach the quarter-finals. On Friday Ma, after being held to a neck-to-neck struggle in the first half, eliminated E. R. Rosset by 21-11.

Rahman led Bill Gaffney by 13-0, 16-0, and 19-12 in their third-round match on Friday. It was one of the most gallant uphill fights yet seen. Gaffney drew level to 19-19.

On the next head he was lying one shot, and was rather unlucky when he trailed to give Jack a little too much to give away the shot on a head that was very much against him. Rahman scored the necessary two shots on the next head.

OPEN TRIPLES RESULTS

Results in yesterday's open Triples matches were:

C. Hong Choy, F. O. Madar and S. L. Leonard (CCC) beat F. G. da Luz, J. A. da Luz and R. F. da Luz (CCC) 23-14.

A. V. Lopes, E. R. Rosset and C. R. Rosset (KCC) beat P. F. da Luz, J. A. da Luz and R. F. da Luz (CCC) 23-14.

P. F. Ribeiro (Recreio) 10-11. A. A. G. da Silva, C. C. Pereira and C. A. Danenberg (Recreio) beat C. A. Danenberg, G. Barros and R. Bena (FC) 23-16.

M. B. Hassan, Ismail Ali and A. M. Omar (CCC) beat J. Tindall, F. C. Gasson and L. F. Cosgrove (KBGC) 23-19.

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NOT HIS TURN



This is Sándor Iharos, the Hungarian who is now the world record-holder in the 1,500 Metres run. Iharos had held the European record for a few months until it was beaten by Istvan Rozsavlgyi, also a Hungarian, in June. He recaptured the record last month.

Iharos went to London last week quite confident that he was just in the mood to beat the world record for the mile. At the White City on Saturday he missed out by seven seconds and was beaten by yet another Hungarian, Laszlo Tabori. It is certainly quite a Hungarian year in the mile and its metric equivalent. —Express Photo.

WIGHTMAN CUP

Angela Mortimer Stuns Crowd By Upsetting American Champion

New York, Aug. 14.

Angela Mortimer gave Britain its first match victory in the Wightman Cup tennis series in four years today by upsetting American Champion Doris Hart, but victories by Louise Brough in both Singles put the United States well on its way to its 19th straight victory in the lop-sided international series.

Miss Mortimer, Britain's leading player, stunned the crowd by whipping Miss Hart of Jacksonville, Florida, 6-4, 1-6, 7-5. Miss Hart lost control while leading 5-2 in the final set, and Miss Mortimer came on to win five straight games and the match.

It marked Britain's first victory in any match in this series since Jean Quertier of Britain beat Shirley Fry of Akron, Ohio, in 1951. It also marked the first loss for the red-haired Miss Hart in the 13 Wightman Cup matches she has played since 1947.

Including today's triumph was only the third for Britain in the 25 matches comprising the series played since World War II. The seven-match series will continue tomorrow with three Singles and a Doubles match. Britain now faces the imposing task of winning three of those four matches to gain the title.

WINTER OLYMPICS

British Travel Agents Refuse To Handle Tickets

London, Aug. 14. British Travel Agents are refusing to handle tickets for the Winter Olympics at Cortina D'Ampezzo in Italy in 1956, because the Organising Committee of the Games wants them to charge more than the official price to cover distribution costs.

Negotiations between the Association of British Travel Agents and the Organising Committee have reached a deadlock.

Mr Richard Colmer, the Association's general secretary, said here today: "Our members (more than 750) have high standards to maintain and we consider it would be unethical to do this."

"As long as this policy on the Organising Committee persists, recognised British travel agents cannot be in a position to help the Winter Olympic Games," China Mail Special.

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RECOGNITION

Miss Brough, 32-year-old Wimbledon Champion from Beverly Hills, California, who is bidding to regain recognition as the queen of international tennis, easily won her Singles match today over Shirley Bloomer, 6-2, 6-4.

She teamed then with 37-year-old Mrs Margaret Osborne Du Pont of Wilmington, Delaware, captain of the US team, to win a Doubles match from Miss Bloomer and Pat Ward, 6-3, 6-3. The Brough-Du Pont team held the US Doubles Championship for nine straight years from 1942 through 1950.

In tomorrow's Singles matches, Miss Brough will meet Miss Mortimer in the day's feature, while Mrs Dorothy Head Knobel of New York plays Angela Buxton and Miss Hart.

FIRST DAY'S PLAY

Australia Leads Italy 2-0 In Davis Cup Inter-Zone Final

Philadelphia, Aug. 14.

Lewis Hoad and Ken Rosewall gave Australia a two-nil lead over Italy here today in the Inter-Zone Final of the Davis Cup. Hoad defeated Fausto Gardini in straight sets in the first Singles match. The score was 6-3, 6-2 and 6-0. Rosewall beat Nicola Pietrangeli 8-6, 3-6, 6-1 and 6-4 in the second match of the first day's play.

The Inter-Zone Final had been postponed from Friday by torrential rain and the centre court was still wet and soft when play began today.

About 500 spectators watched Hoad and Gardini enter the German Town Cricket Club stadium for the first of the two Singles matches of the day. Hoad, wearing spiked shoes, served first and broke through Gardini's service for the first time in the fourth game, mainly on Gardini's errors.

The court quickly began to show signs of wear and Hoad's spikes tore divots from the grounds.

The Australian, showing fair form under the conditions, used the court well and frequently placed his volleys and drives hopelessly out of the Italian's reach.

CLEARLY OUTMATCHED

Gardini, though clearly outmatched, showed good speed and was accurate with his placements.

The gallery, which rose to about 1500 during the match, contained a section of Italian residents of Philadelphia. Noisy demonstrations from a section of the crowd while the ball was in play caused the umpire to appeal several times for silence during rallies.

Gardini made a spirited showing to take two games in the second set, but Hoad raced

through the third set in nine minutes without conceding a game.

2-0 LEAD

Ken Rosewall of Australia beat Nicola Pietrangeli of Italy 8-6, 3-6, 6-1, 6-4 in the second match to give Australia a 2-0 lead at the end of the first day's play.

Rosewall was superior all round. The Italian's main weakness was his backhand and

the Australian continually played to it. Pietrangeli moved round the court quickly, however, placing his shots shrewdly, and Rosewall had a fight on his hands. The Italian's main successes came by driving wide to Rosewall's forehand, forcing the Australian to not many of his attempted returns. He also cleverly kept the ball away from Rosewall's strong backhand. —Reuter.

Mexican Favoured To Win This Year's English Channel Swim

London, Aug. 14.

A total of 12 men and five women will plunge into the English Channel tonight from the French coast in their bid to swim the 20 miles (32 kilometres) to the English coast.

Bad weather and choppy seas have delayed the start of this cross Channel swimming marathon for five days and the crack long-distance swimmers have been "treading the water" at Folkestone on the South England coast.

Tonight they go over by boat from Folkestone to the starting point on the North French coast for this race worth £500 to the winner of the event, plus the right to hold the massive silver cup valued at 1,000 guineas for one year.

The first woman to touch the English coast wins the prize of £500. The successful swimmer is expected to make landfall about 1700 hours GMT on Monday. America's Madeleine Werner did not check in at Folkestone today when the starting time was announced. Portugal's Baptista Pereira, who won last year's crossing, is not competing this year owing to a throat complaint.

his watery crossing. He is the only swimmer to have crossed the Channel both ways in the same year.

Ireland has thrown in its professional 31-year-old wrestler Jack McClelland. Denmark's 37-year-old Elna Anderson is among the women swimmers. For the first time, a team of medical specialists from the British Admiralty and the Medical Research Council will follow the swimmers by boat. They will take observations concerning the human body's resistance to cold in sea water. They will examine the swimmers as soon as they finish the crossing or abandon the race. —France-Press.

Japan Wins Swim Meet

Tokyo, Aug. 14.

Japan to-night won the Japan-American swimming meet by 43 to 27 points at Oginaka pool in Osaka.

Results tonight were: 100-metre butterfly: 1. Albert Wiggins (US); 2. Takashi Ishimoto; 3. Jiro Nagawawa. Wiggins won by 2 feet in a time of 1 minute 27 seconds.

100-metre freestyle: 1. Man Bu-koppa; 2. Reid Patterson (US); 3. Atsushi Tani. Time: 57 seconds.

400-metre freestyle: 1. Yoshitro Shoji; 2. Ford Kono (US); 3. William Woolsey (US). Time: 4 minutes 30.4 seconds.

100-metre backstroke: 1. Frank E. McKinney; 2. Yoshinobu Oyama; 3. Keiji Hase. Time: 1 minute 5.4 seconds.

200-metre breaststroke: 1. Masaru Furukawa; 2. Hisashi Gomyaku; 3. Motoi Kimura. Time: 2 minutes 35.3 seconds.

800-metre relay: 1. Japanese team (Hiroshi Suzuki, Toshihiro Shoji, Manabu Koga and Yoshitro Shoji) defeated the Americans with the time of 8 minutes 34.8 seconds. American team finished 8 minutes 40 seconds flat. —Reuter.

NORWAY BEATS FINLAND 2-0 AT SOCCER

Helsinki, Aug. 14.

Norway beat Finland by two goals to one in a soccer international played in the Olympic Stadium here today.

The teams were level 1-1 at half-time. —Reuter.

U.S. SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Washington Girl Breaks World 100 Metres Butterfly Record

Philadelphia, Aug. 14.

Olympic diving star Pat McCormick of Los Angeles and Carolyn Green of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, today joined 15-year-old Carin Cone of Ridgewood, New Jersey, as double winners in the 39th National AAU Women's Swimming Championships.

Betty Mullen of Washington's Walter Reed Swim Club highlighted the closing session of the four-day meet when she bettered the accepted World's record for the 100-Metres Butterfly event.

But her time of 1 minute, 15 seconds fell short of the 1:13.8 performance of 14-year-old Anna Vorig of Holland at Paris last year.

month. Miss Vorig's time is still awaiting official recognition as the new World record, replacing the now accepted mark of 1:16.8 set by Jettie Langmuir of East Germany in Turin, Italy last year.

The stronger Walter Reed team lived up to expectations by rolling up an overwhelming point total of 100. Los Angeles was second with 51, followed by Fort Lauderdale with 37.

The Walter Reed team of Shelly Mann, Mary Jane Sears, Betty Mullen and Wanda Warner won the 400-Metres Relay in 5:07 to set an American and meet record. The old American record of 5:16.8 was set here in September, 1954 by the same team, with the exception of Miss Mullen, who replaced Marie Gillett.

TRIPLE WINNER

Mrs McCormick, a triple winner last year, successfully defended her one and three Metres diving titles. The 14th edition of the meet, the 39th National AAU Women's Swimming Championships, was held at the Municipal Pool.

BASKETBALL HONGKONG BEATS MACAO 61-49

Macao, Aug. 13. The Sun Luen basketball team of Hongkong yesterday beat a combined Chinese Macao team by 61-49 at the Praia Grande ground.

The visitors gave an impressive display of skill and team work and forced the home players into a strenuous effort to keep the score low.

WATER POLO

The Chung Sing Water Polo team from Hongkong defeated a selection from four local swimming clubs by 11-4 on Saturday night at the Municipal Pool.

The event was attended by a large crowd. —France-Press.

Miles Green, also a triple holder before the meet, retained her 800-Metres and 1,500-Metres free-style championships but lost her 400-Metres title to Douglas Gray of the Walter Reed Club.

The speedy and unheralded Miss Cone, who never won a national swim title before, turned in the upset of the meet. She equalled the World 50-Metres record as she churned to victory in the 300-Metres backstroke, then she defeated defending Champion Shelly Mann to chalk up her second victory in the 100-Metres backstroke.

Mrs McCormick, a triple winner last year, was awarded 120.15 points today at the three-Metres dive event. Jeanne Sturges, Detroit, AC, was second with 100 flat after leading Mrs McCormick by 21.21 points in the qualifying heats. Miss Green gained the double victory by defeating her 300-Metres rival by 10.54. —United Press.

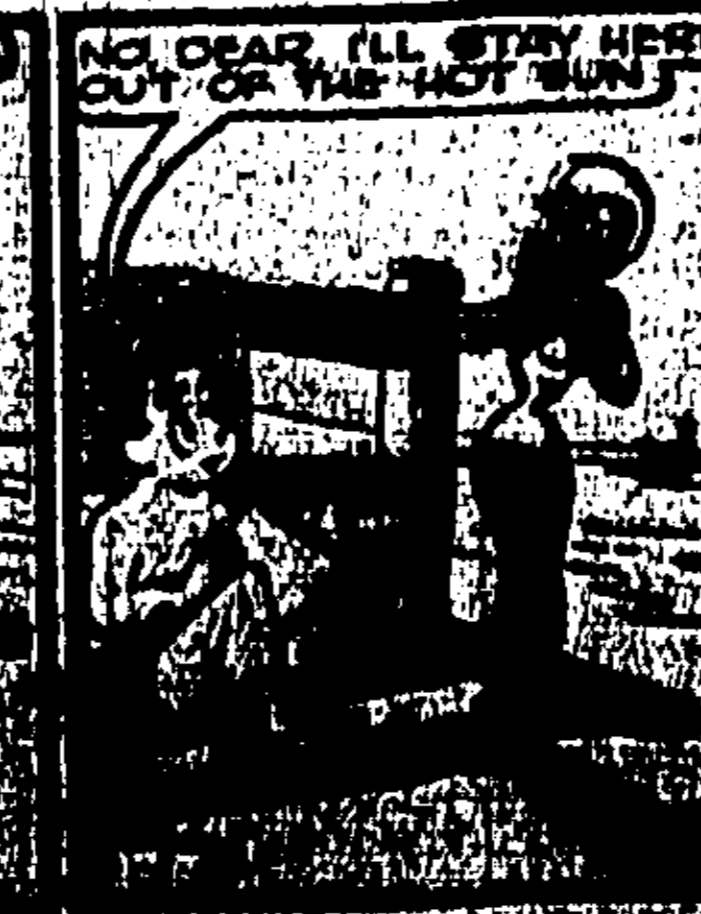
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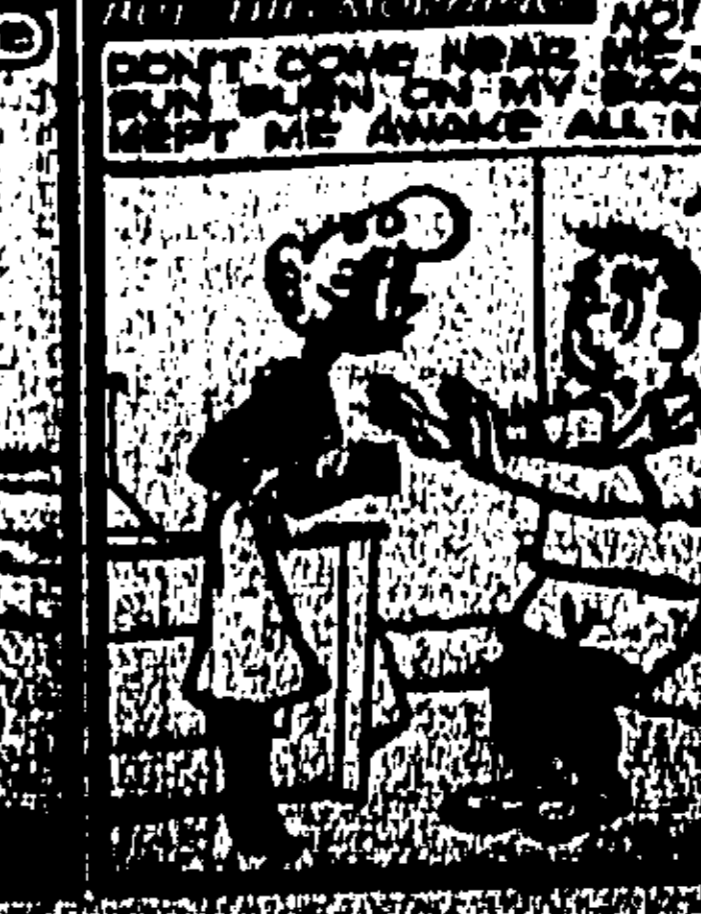
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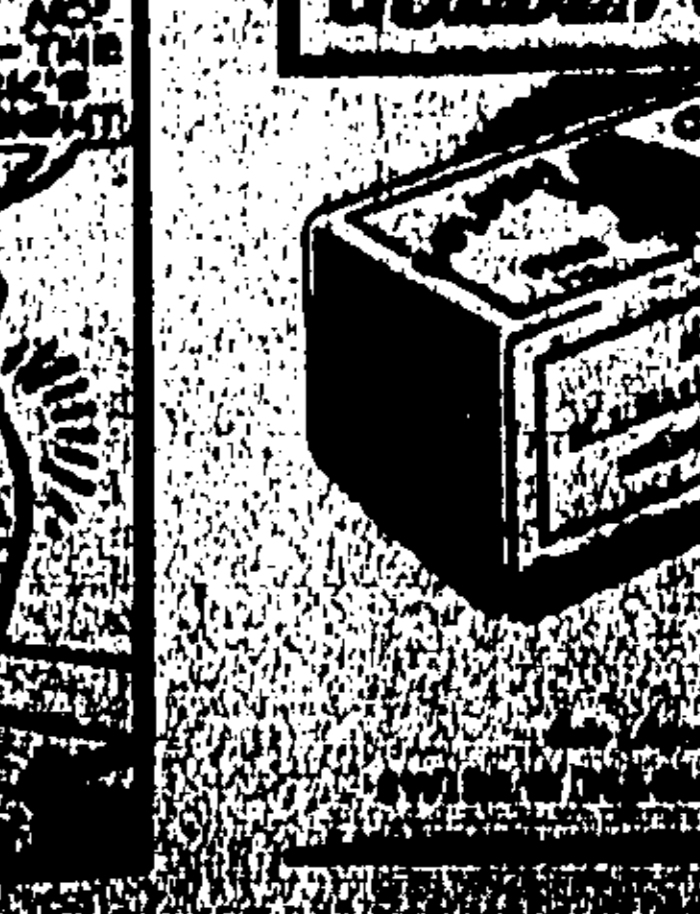
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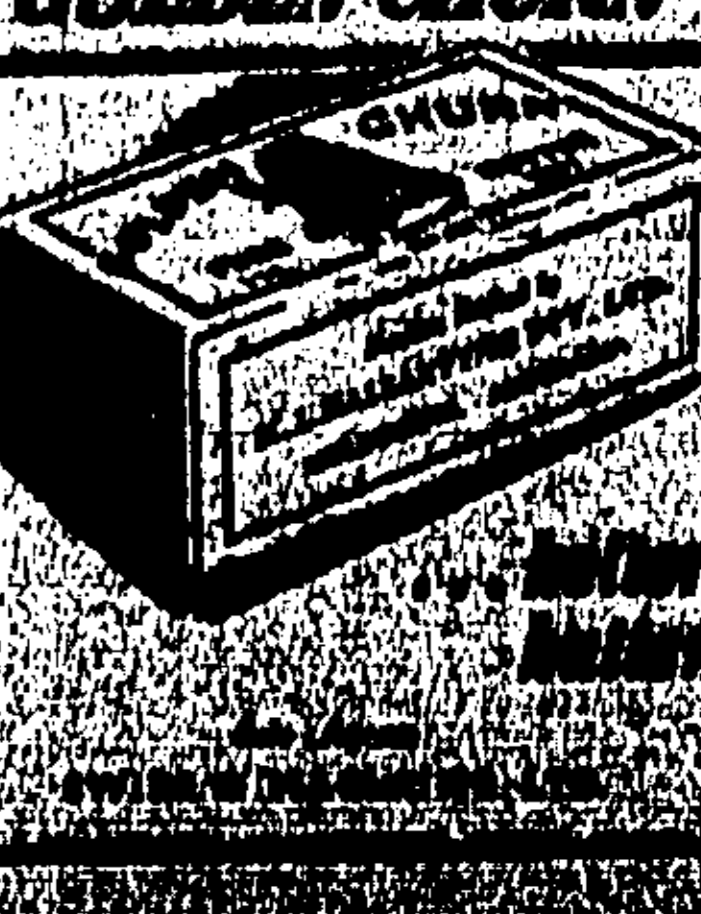
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GOLDEN CHURN



FIGHT THIS LAST TEST TO THE FINISH—EVEN IF IT TAKES NINE DAYS TO DO IT

Says DENIS COMPTON

Whatever happens in the last Test at the Oval, which started on Saturday, I hope playing conditions will be fair to both sides and that victory goes to one team or the other. I shall be sorry if the deciding game in such an intriguing series ends in a draw.

For that reason I am disappointed that no provision has been made for an extra day at the Oval. I do not favour longer Test matches—I think 30 hours are ample, provided the weather does not intervene—yet the weather was so kind in the first four Tests that the odds of it breaking in the fifth must be greater.

Therefore I would recommend that extra time be set aside as a safety-valve to be used in case of rain.

The Test is due to finish on a Thursday, when county games will be in progress, so that extension into the Friday would be a simple matter.

Yet I would go so far as to suggest that, if a serious breakdown occurred in the weather, another series of county games should be crunched upon, leaving nine whole playing days free for the Test.

The stipulation, of course, would have to be that no more than 30 playing hours were taken up.

By extending the Oval Test into a third round of county matches, the counties would be deprived of the expected services of their leading players.

Yorkshire and Surrey, engaged in a thrilling tussle for the Championship, might be affected. And the Hampshire fixture against the South Africans, due to begin at Southampton on August 20, would have to be rearranged for another date at the end of the season.

COULD BE OVERCOME

All these are snags, I know. I believe they could all be overcome. Surely the object should be to bring about a result to a match which would then produce a 3-2 winning margin to one side or the other for the first time in the history of Test cricket in this country.

Cricket League Meeting

The annual meeting of the Cricket League will be held at the Hongkong Cricket Club on Friday, August 19, at 5.30 p.m.

Giants Clinch The 1955 Baseball League Pennant

Powerful Giants shellacked the Overseas Blues 22-2 yesterday at King's Park to clinch the second postwar Baseball League Pennant behind Cuscut Souza's no hit pitching.

The game was decided right from the beginning as the Giants bagged eleven runs in the first inning through five hits and six free tickets issued by the opposing hurler.

Overseas Blues opened the score by P. H. Lee through a fielding error. However, the Giants just went wild on their turn. Eddie Loureiro first got on the base through a miscue and Tony Gutierrez slammed out a solid triple to start the runs.

Bull Dhabher walked and Vic Pedruco's timely double sent both Gutierrez and Dhabher across the plate.

Jonquim Colaco walked, but was forced out on second when Jack Brown grounded toward the shortstop. Dicky Chaves also doubled and put both Pedruco and Brown across. Igar Ericksen was passed and a passball advanced them one base further.

GRAND SLAM HOMER
Cuscut Souza's safety drove in Dicky Chaves and Eddie Loureiro was passed to load the bases. Tony Gutierrez was given a free ticket and Ericksen walked in. Then Bull Dhabher connected a grand slam homer to clean up the bases.

Giants still kept up the slaughter during the second where Cuscut Souza and Eddie Loureiro each singled to score one run and Vic Pedruco doubled to produce two more.

REVISED SCHEDULE
The revised Summer Softball League second round schedule is as follows:

Aug. 15—Philippines	vs. South China "B"
Aug. 16—South China "A"	vs. Pandas
Aug. 17—Jaguars	vs. Philippines
Aug. 18—South China "B"	vs. U.S. Navy
Aug. 19—Jaguars	vs. Pandas
Aug. 20—Jaguars	vs. South China "A"
Aug. 21—South China "B"	vs. Philippines
Aug. 22—U.S. Navy	vs. Pandas
Aug. 23—South China "A"	vs. South China "B"
Aug. 24—Jaguars	vs. Philippines
Sept. 1—Pandas	vs. South China "A"
Sept. 2—Pandas	vs. South China "B"
Sept. 3—Pandas	vs. Philippines
Sept. 4—South China "B"	vs. South China "A"
Sept. 5—Philippines	vs. U.S. Navy
Sept. 6—Pandas	vs. U.S. Navy

One Notes With Some Relief That Douglas Ford Plays Golf At An "Abnormal Pace"

Says HENRY LONGHURST

London. I note with some relief that the new Match Play Champion of the United States, Douglas Ford, plays golf at what his fellow-citizens must now consider an abnormal pace.

It is too much to hope that all will take a leaf from his book, but his example may perhaps have some small influence on the creeping paralysis which has overtaken the game in that country and seems rapidly to be overtaking it in this.

In the semi-finals Ford played Shelly Mayfield and beat him over 33 holes in 5hr. 10min. Dr. Corry Middlecott, "dwindling along like a member of the cardiac foursome," beat Tommy Bolt over the same distance in 6hr. 55min.

By a series of fractions and cancellings-out reminiscent of one's day in the Lower Fourth I make Ford to have been playing at the rate of 2hr. 48min. per 18 holes and Middlecott at 3hr. 48min.

The latter thus qualifies, almost to the minute, as the Adenauer of golf—an appellation so splendid that I am sorely tempted to claim it as my own, instead of passing the credit where I believe it belongs, namely to Leonard Crawley.

Waiting in the locker room for the other match to finish an hour and three quarters later Ford observed "If it's Middlecott, I'm liable to finish tomorrow before he rounds nine. Maybe I ought to bring my trailer over so I can sleep between shots."

NOTABLE SUPPORTER
The cult of faster play has another notable supporter in the States in the person of none other than the President, whose addition to golf has given such a fillip to the game, as doubtless will the Duke of Edinburgh's if he will forgive a pun as rightful as it was unintentional—when in the fulfilment of time he gives up nasy rough sports like cricket and polo.

The President, I read, averages two and a half hours, and anything from 85 to 90 shots, round the Burning Tree Club at Washington.

The first full impact of the torrid golf now deemed orthodox in America struck us in the final of the 1950 Amateur Championship at St. Andrews, when Stranahan and Chapman, with all spectators roped clear and the course to themselves, took 3hr. 42min. for 18 holes, each being round in about 77.

Two years previously, I am told by a correspondent who refereed the match, the finalists in the Women's South-Western Counties Championship at St. Enodoc took three minutes longer than this. They had, however, played two rounds in that time, so the first round took 1hr. 50min., and the second 1hr. 55min.

The winner scored 80 in the morning and 83 in the afternoon, and "neither of the competitors," my informant adds, a little ungalantly perhaps, "was young."

STARTLING
In the old days courses were shorter, methods were simpler, and the rewards at stake undoubtedly not so great. Nevertheless the difference is startling.

Sandwich in 1904 measured 6,157 yards—perhaps 700 shorter than today. When Walter Travis won his first-round match in the Championship against Mr. H. Holden, of Royal Liverpool, at the 15th, they had taken 1 hr. 1 min.

Writing an account some years later, Travis complained how he had been soaked during the match and had no time to change his clothes, as his second-round match was due out at 2.25.

Now the match against Mr. Holden had started at 12.0. The Championship Committee of those days, therefore, reckoned two and a half hours—the time it took Stranahan and Chapman to play 12 holes—adequate for 18 holes, extra holes if needed, and lunch!

There have been few greater players of golf than Gene Sarazen, when I am playing fast, I remember his saying to me once, "It's not a matter of time, it's a matter of pace."

HOW THEY STAND
P. W. L. Pts.
Giants 6 0 0 1,000
U.S. Navy 6 2 3 400
Overseas Reds 4 1 3 250
Overseas Blues 5 1 4 200

The strong contingent from USS Gardiner's Bay walloped the Overseas Reds 18-5 on Saturday in a five-inning game. The sailors also ran wild in the first to choke up 15 runs before the Reds managed to stem the tide. Mohr and Wilhelm homered for the Navy-men.

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Boros Shakes Off The Money Jitters On The Last Nine Holes

Chicago, Aug. 14.

Julius Boros, shaking off the money jitters on the last nine holes, came from behind with a two under par 70 today to win the Tam O'Shanter "World" Championship and a cash prize of \$50,000 for the second time in four years with a 72-hole total of 281, seven under par.

The victory, which also carries a contract for 55 exhibitions at \$1,000 each, elevated him to first place in golf's money winnings for 1955 with \$61,971.55 and virtually assured him the earnings crown for the season.

Boros began his last round in fourth place, two strokes behind Bo Winger, and one behind Gene Littler and Wally Ulich. But while this trio stumbled before the pressure and the close-packed galleries, Boros played steadily all the way.

Winger went out of contention on the sixth when he drove out of bounds and took a seven.

Littler continued to set the pace until the 13th hole.

There Boros moved in front to stay, knocking in a 35-foot putt for a birdie while Littler was behind him.

Boros played the next three holes in par and birdied the 17th with a nine-foot putt to clinch the triumph.

Littler finished with a 74 to post a total of 284 and share third place with Henry Ransom of Chicago and Peter Thomson of Australia. Fred Haas came up with the best round of the day, a four under par 68, to take second money of \$10,000 with a total of 283, five under par.

OTHER WINNERS
Patty Berg tallied a one under par 75 for a 288 total for 72 holes to win the \$5,000 first prize for women pros. It was her third straight triumph in the event.

Wim Smith, 18-year-old who won the "All-American" last week, also grabbed the "World" title for women amateurs with a final round of 74 and a 309 total.

Doug Sanders, a Florida college student who also won the "All-American," took the men's amateur crown with a last round tally of 70 for a 284 total, four under par.—United Press.

Springboks Drop Five Players From Team To Meet British Isles

Capetown, Aug. 14.

Jack van der Shoff, Springboks fullback who kicked ten of his sides points in their defeat in the First Test, is among five players dropped by South Africa from the team to meet the British Isles in the second Rugby Test here on Saturday next.

The others omitted are left-winger Silas Swart, Olin Kroon (hooker), Amos Du Plooy (front-row forward), and Basie van Wyk (lock forward).

A position change has also been made. Karel van Vollenhoven, moving from centre three-quarter to the left wing.

Van der Shoff, one of the greatest place kickers in Rugby today, gives way to Roy Dryburgh, a versatile Western Province player.

Jaap Bekker, who toured the British Isles and France with the 1951/52 Springboks, takes over from Du Plooy in the front-row, and Albertus van der Merwe replaces Droom as hooker.

SOUTH AFRICA TRIAL
Van der Merwe played in recent South Africa trial matches and distinguished himself with Boland against British Isles yesterday.

Dawie Ackermann, of Stellenbosch, a fast powerful scrum-half, fills the lock position vacated by Van Wyk.

The other newcomer to the backline beside Dryburgh is Bill Rosenberg.

The Springbok team has big potentialities, particularly at forward. But it remains to be seen whether the three quarters Des Senechal and Rosenberg can improve on first Test performances.

Team: R. Dryburgh, K. van Vollenhoven, D. Senechal, W. Rosenberg, T. Briers, C. Uys, T. Gentles, C. Koch, A. van der Merwe, J. Bekker, S. Fry (Captain), J. Du Rand (Vice Captain), J. Claassens, D. Ackermann, D. Klerck.—Reuter.

Sports Diary

TODAY
Football
Management Committee Meeting of HKFA.

HOCKEY
Annual Meeting of Hongkong Hockey Association, Murray Parade Ground, 10 a.m.

TOMORROW
Golf
Deepwater Bay Golf.

WEDNESDAY
Water-polo
Water-polo competition (semi-finals): Fortuna v Chinese "Y," Army v Eastern.

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Water-polo competition (final): Fortuna v Chinese "Y."

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SPORTS ROUND-UP

Tennis Is The Ideal Summer Game For Any Professional Footballer

Harry Hooper, West Ham's England "B" soccer international, has found the perfect summer game for footballers. It is lawn tennis. "Tennis," he says, "is the ideal summer game for any professional footballer."

"I enjoy cricket, but tennis is the tops for keeping you in peak condition. I joined a local tennis club at the end of season and when I came back to football last week I found I started faster and fitter than at any other time in my career."

"I'm match fit already, after only one week's training." As Hooper, an outside right and understudy to Stanley Matthews for England, was last season the fastest man in English football, fans are wondering just what speed he will get up to now.

Chris Chataway, once again World Three-Mile Champion, looks forward "with great pleasure" to running against the new World 1,600 Metres Champion, Hungary's Sandor Iharos at London's White City on August 12.

This meeting of Champions will be the "magic" mile distance.

Says Chataway: "If Iharos is going out for a mile record, and takes the lead that may mean a repeat of the race I had against John Landy at Turku (Finland) when he set up the present world record of 3min. 58sec."

FORMER CHAMPION
Jake Tull, former British and Empire Flyweight Champion, now bids for Empire Bantamweight honours. On September 14 he meets Scotland's Peter

Kearney in Glasgow for his Empire Bantam title. A Tull victory and the South African will challenge World Champion Robert Cohen, of France.

Joe Mercer, former Arsenal and England captain, has completed a Football Association coaching course and is now preparing Tranmere Rovers for the coming season. A broken leg kept Mercer out of soccer last season, but he is joining the Tranmere players in ball practice, sprinting and gymnastic exercises. He is still confident that he will play again.

Jacqueline Gordon, British golf international, has left for the United States. During her nine-week visit Miss Gordon will compete in the United States Women's Championships on August 22-27.

Derek Hobbs, who helped Chris Chataway break the World Three-Mile record a fortnight ago, will run in the 5,000 Metres at an international meeting in Budapest on August 20-21.

Travelling with him will be four-minute miler Brian Hewson, who will compete in the 1,600 Metres, hurdler Frank Parker and half miler Ron Henderson.

Hungary wanted Chataway and Gordon Pile, but Chataway will be in Scandinavia with his club, Achilles, and Pile will be in Canada.

Newmarket's Last Race Should Not Be For Two-Year-Olds

Colonel W. N. Gmy has made a number of breaks with tradition since he was appointed clerk of the course at Newmarket just over two years ago. Many of the changes have been for the better, although the advisability of some is open to question.

The 2.30 start has been instituted in the belief that it will enable more people from the surrounding towns, such as Cambridge and Bury St Edmunds, to attend.

Attendances at the First July Meeting did not appear to support this contention, in fact the majority of visitors did not like the idea of postponing their tea by half an hour and reducing the time in which to prepare for evening engagements.

Placing a two-year-old event as the last race of the day may also be a retrograde step.

INTEREST
Most racers find these races of particular interest and normally many would leave before the last race, so easing traffic congestion.

This week's fixture at Newmarket was in line of the Second July Meeting, abandoned because of the rain strike.

It may however, be the forerunner of an annual August meeting on the little-used summer course. Not that racing in August is a new thing at Newmarket, nor for that matter is this the first weekend fixture to be held there.

In the years immediately following the war the experiment was made of holding an August fixture at Newmarket to fill the gap, while many of our other courses were recovering from wartime occupation.

WORTHWHILE
The fixture did not attract a large number of runners and it was not particularly well attended. Things may be different now that there are more horses in training and the prospect of larger fields to draw the crowds.

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Pakistan National Day
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Kowloon City Ferry Pier
Tung Wah Group Dinner
Boxing at Seamen's Mission
Sea Scouts, Mission to Seamen
Tomb at Li Cheung Uk Village
Indian Cultural Mission, India Club
I.R.C. Sookunpoo Bowls Match
Junior Athletics, King's Park
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His Job Is To Find The Worst Roads For 1955 Round Australia Reliability Trial

By JOHN STACKHOUSE

Melbourne.

Mr Norman Pleasance is an Englishman with a genius for finding bad roads. This year, he has found the worst in Australia—and probably the worst in the world. They will form part of the route of the 1955 Round Australia Redex reliability trial, sponsored by Mr Pleasance's firm.

On August 21, 182 cars are due to leave the Paramatta Park in Sydney on the 10,500-mile trial round Australia in 21 days.

Mr Pleasance has guaranteed that they will run into fog, dust, mountains, sandy and rocky desert and seemingly endless miles of rough bush tracks in what is generally admitted to be one of the world's toughest reliability tests.

SUITABILITY
It is designed to try the strength both of driver and car, as well as the suitability of any car to Australian conditions.

The entries include a good selection of the world's cars. The heaviest is a British Humber Super Salvo and the lightest a small French Citroen. Some competitors have yet to say what cars they will drive.

So far 35 European cars are entered.

Best represented is the Australian-built Holden, with 30 entries. Most of the rest will be English cars, with the Standard Vanguard the most numerous.

Each entry will cost about £200—made up of anything up to £160 for fuel, oil and tyre, £20 for car hire, and about £20 for accommodation and transport for the driver and crew.

The first prize is £5,000 and any extra money which the successful driver may make out of advertising carried on the cars and later endorsement of the products.

Against this there will be depreciation for the trial is murder on cars.

In the 1954 trial, many of the cars became total wrecks. Others limped into control points with body-work smashed in, windshields shattered or engines burned out.

Mr A. Anderson, of Queensland, one of the drivers competing again this year finished the course last year only after he had overcome severe difficulties by sheer initiative.

DESOLATE PLAINS
In the middle of the desolate Nullabor plains, Mr Anderson and his companion holed the sump of their Holden. They lit a fire while other competitors watched past, and melted some sticks of solder they had with them.

In the soft sand of the road, they made a mold of the sump of the hole in their sump and carefully cast a plug from the solder. When this was put in and the engine re-assembled, the two men started up again, chasing the field.

Mr Pleasance brought back the results of a survey of the worst roads in Australia, sections in the first leg of the trial, northward up the east coast of Australia.



TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

Cure Must Be Found For Britain's Ills

WEEKLY
US TEXTILE
MARKETS

New York, Aug. 14. Domestic producers shipped a total 94,200,000 pounds of rayon and acetate filament yarn staple plus tow during July, down six per cent from the preceding month, according to Textile Organon, statistical bulletin.

However, July shipments, which compared with 74,000,000 pounds of rayon and 19,200,000 pounds of acetate, ran nine per cent ahead of July 1954.

Shipments of high tenacity rayon last month amounted to 35,000,000 pounds, four per cent below June, but 61 per cent above July last year. Producers' stocks at the end of July dipped to 4,300,000 pounds.

Regular plus intermediate tennacity rayon shipments were down 4 per cent from June to 14,500,000 lbs but held about unchanged from a year ago.

July shipments of acetate yarn at 16,400,000 pounds were seven per cent below June and four per cent less than a year ago. Producers' stocks of both regular plus intermediate rayon and acetate yarn were up slightly at the month-end.

Shipments of rayon staple plus tow dropped six per cent from the June level to 24,800,000 pounds, and were eight per cent under July a year ago. Stocks increased to 16,400,000 pounds.

Organon also noted the United States imports of rayon staple for consumption during May set a new monthly record of 18,447,000 pounds.—United Press.

N.Y. COTTON
MARKET
REVIEW

By William T Plunkett
New York, Aug. 14. A super giant-sized Government crop estimate put cotton prices into a sharp retreat last week.

Losses ranged up to \$4 a bale with the decline October and December (1955).

At Friday's close the list ruled unchanged to 80 points lower, making the second week of sharp declines; a reversal at Liverpool along with a slow-down in textile markets and lack of information of the Government programme for disposal of raw cotton surplus, were other handicaps on the buying side.

Traders thought an announcement was imminent on whether or not the Government would sell cotton overseas at cut-rate prices.

The first crop estimate of the season on Monday proved a surprise as the crop was only seven per cent less than last.

PRICES REACTED

Prices reacted around \$1.50 a bale on the news, although the bullish impact of the figures, traders felt, was cushioned by the Government price support programme. The average price for middling 15/16 inch cotton at the 14 spot markets averaged around 35.50 cents a pound compared with the average loan rate for those markets of 33.75 cents a pound.

Traders felt the figures focused attention on the need for new legislation to deal with the problem of an ever-growing surplus. An upshot of the situation, some felt, might be in a reduction of Government supports next year.

The International Cotton Advisory Committee indicated the "free world" carryover of cotton on August 1, 1955, at about 409,400,000 bales or 1,000,000 bales more than a year earlier and the largest stock since 1946.—United Press.

The Bank Of Franco
Statement

Paris, Aug. 14. The Bank of France statement for the week ended Aug. 5, reads as follows:

Total gold holdings 201,200,000,000
Total foreign currencies 16,225,112,207
Sight balance abroad 200,000,000,000
Advance to stabilization fund 200,000,000,000
Total bills discounted 1,997,000,135
Bank notes in circulation 1,887,100,000
Current accounts and deposits 121,270,000,000
—United Press.

INFLATION DISEASE
EATING A WAY
COUNTRY'S WEALTH

From Our Economic Correspondent

London, Aug. 14.

If evidence was lacking before that Britain is in the grip of a fresh inflation last week's news provided it in ample measure.

No one regrets the fact that unemployment in Britain is the lowest ever recorded in peacetime. But looked at from a slightly different angle this simply means that there is a shortage of labour. And from there it is one short step to a rising national wage bill.

It is the old, old story of the inflationary spiral—of wages in fruitless pursuit of prices. At home it caused the cost of living index to rise another three notches in June. Abroad it added another one per cent to British export prices.

And still it goes on. In the first six months of this year wages added over £20 million to the national wage bill, nearly twice the rise in the same period last year.

But more is to come. Last week three million shipbuilders decided not only to ask for more pay, but fewer hours and three instead of two weeks with pay. If granted, their wage claim would cost the shipbuilding and engineering industries about £100 million a year. And some of that extra cost would inevitably be passed on to the consumer—including foreign customers for British goods.

Not Alone

But the engineers are not alone in the wage queue. Woodworkers, railwaymen and miners are giving an ominous ring to Oliver Twist's famous request. No wonder the economist was moved last week to remark that on a long view this may be the worst economic news of the year. But this is only one side of the inflationary situation. When

workers demand more pay they are not merely seeking to compensate for past increases but also to get a larger share of the wide array of tempting foods that the shops have to offer. "When all the world is mad it is folly to be sane" was never more true than in the middle of an inflation.

Unthinkingly, however, they are doing Britain—and themselves—immense harm. Their higher pay has two effects. It adds to production costs, thus pushing up the price of British exports. And it creates a demand for goods. If these are British it deprives the country of exports. If they are foreign it swells the nation's imports bill—a bill which in the circumstances, cannot be met with earnings from exports.

All this of course, is true even if wage demands are conceded without a struggle. But if they are accompanied—as they were recently by a wave of strikes—the situation becomes even more sombre.

The most serious of the strikes was the six weeks stoppage in the dock. This renders futile any attempt to analyze the recent trend of overseas trade. In July—which included only the last three days of the strike—imports rose £44,800,000 over

the June figure to £238,800,000. Exports improved by £66,000,000 to £231,000,000. The gap between imports and exports was thus £107,800,000 compared with £129,000,000 in June.

Distorted

These figures are of course distorted by the dock strike. For example, during the strike all available labour was turned to unloading perishable imports. Moreover, the interval between the actual movement of shipments and the time of recording them is longer in the case of exports than of imports. Some exports therefore, were shipped too late in the month to be included in the July figures, but imports were not affected to the same extent.

But even on the most optimistic view of distortion in the figures directly attributable to the dock strike the fact remains that Britain is buying from abroad much more than she is able to pay for with her exports.

And this, of course, was the fact that was uppermost in the mind of the Chancellor when he ordered a general tightening up of credit last month. "It will be some time, however, before the effect of this will be seen in overseas trade figures; and if it fails to bring imports closer into line with exports, tougher measures can be expected."

Bright Prospects

On the longer view prospects for overseas trade are made brighter by the news that Britain is one of the first in the field of "atomic" exports.

This is less important from the point of view of any benefit it will bring than from the fact that Britain's exports of manufactured goods will decline as other countries learn to make them for themselves. This theory, as last week's news showed, takes no account of technological progress in the more advanced countries.

Opportunities are vast; but bigger prizes in the new industrial revolution will go to the countries that are the most successful in holding down production costs. For Britain this means investing on a large scale in factories capable of producing the coming atomic age. But before she can do that she must find a cure—once and for all—for the disease of inflation that is eating away the country's wealth.

Burma May
Seek Loan
To Bolster
Economy

Rangoon, Aug. 14.

Newspapers here widely report that the Burmese Government will be "virtually compelled" to seek a foreign loan in an effort to overcome the present financial crisis facing the country.

The Government's commitments in its eight-year welfare state plans are reported to have made such a step necessary. The newspapers quoted well-informed circles for their reports.

They said the Burmese Government would seek a loan from "friendly countries" such as Yugoslavia or India. Burma had no desire to embarrass herself with loan from either the Eastern or Western bloc.

Burma's foreign exchange reserves have dropped steadily owing to the loss of Burma's overseas rice market—the country's main source of foreign exchange earnings.

This coupled with heavy Government expenditures for its welfare state schemes has been largely responsible for Burma's present financial crisis.—China Mail Special.

HONGKONG
STOCK
EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$600,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

BANKS
HK Bank ... 1703 20 @ 1770
... 35 @ 1770

SHIPPING

Waterboat ... 22.00

DOCKS, ETC.

Dock ... 2500 @ 27
... 100 @ 13.50
Wheelock ... 8.50 8.50 1000 @ 8.50

LAND, ETC.

HK Land ... 701 72 100 @ 71.50
... 200 @ 71
... 200 @ 71.50
... 500 @ 71.50

RUBBER

A. Rubber 2.175 2.22 10000 @ 2.20
Trust ... 3.40

UTILITIES

Star Ferry ... 145 147 50 @ 140
... 113 117 50 @ 110
C. Light (C) ... 22.40
C. Light (N) ... 17.70 500 @ 17.40
... 1000 @ 17.40
Electric ... 32 32 1/2 700 @ 32.25
Telephone ... 32 32 1/2 700 @ 32.25

INDUSTRIALS

Cement ... 32 33 300 @ 22.50
STONES, ETC.
Dairy ... 21.80 350 @ 21.80
... 250 @ 22.50
... 500 @ 22.50
... 1000 @ 22

COTTONS

Textile Corp ... 5.50
Nanyang ... 5.70

MISCELLANEOUS

Yongtze ... 8

CULTURED
PEARL
TRADE

New York, Aug. 14.

Sales of cultured pearls will top all previous records in 1955, according to Mr Joseph Goldstone, President of the Imperial Pearl Syndicate.

In a statement released coincident with the opening Sunday of the American National Retail Association annual convention, Mr Goldstone said that imports of cultured pearls for the first six months of 1955 exceeded all of 1954.

Mr Goldstone is also President of the Importers Association of Chicago. He recently returned from a trip to Japan, where he conferred with pearl growers and Government officials.

He said in this statement that there was a great need to maintain higher standards in the quality of cultured pearls for export. The dollar value of cultured pearls could be greatly increased if the standards for quality of the pearls were raised. He said Japan sold more than 25,000 pounds of pearls abroad in 1954, 54 per cent of them to the U.S. Earnings from this source have climbed steadily in the past five years.—United Press.

Commerce Secretary
Issues Caution

Washington, Aug. 14.

Secretary of Commerce Sinclair Weeks cautioned US businessmen today against overconfidence and undue speculation in the face of booming production records.

He told a news conference that the gross national product, the value of all goods and services produced, rose to an annual rate of \$385,000,000,000 in the second quarter of this year.

This is \$2,000,000,000 higher than the rate which President Eisenhower's Council of Economic Advisors estimated only weeks ago. It was \$10,000,000,000 higher than the first quarter rate and \$18,000,000,000 higher than the second quarter of 1954. The peak reached last but not the first business quarter.

In advising businessmen to "go slow" Mr Weeks specifically cautioned against speculation in housing and plan expansion. He told them to "keep their feet on the ground and employ simple common sense in the operation of their day-to-day affairs."

The Cabinet official said his earnings against over-optimism stemmed from the same impulse that prompted the Government's action in tightening housing credit, raising stock reserve loans to banks.—United Press.

Ceylon Rubber
Prices

Colombo, Aug. 14. Premier Sir John Kotelawala today directed that negotiations for price revisions of the rubber-for-rice pact between Ceylon and China be carried out with full consideration for the world market.

He said the considerations should look to the future and not be based on the desire for immediate, but unstable profit.

The rubber price revision is expected to cover the period from last June to the end of the year, while the rice revision will be for next year.

Ceylon has asked one penny more than the world price for the country's rubber, and it is expected to ask for a smaller quota of rice than the present 270,000 tons contracted for.—United Press.

CHILEAN
COPPER
SALES

Santiago, Aug. 14.

Press and parliamentary circles today criticized the Government for alleged failure to dispose of Chile's copper output in the European market at 40 to 45 cents a pound, compared with the 36 cents per pound received for sales in the United States.

The Ministry of Mines today reported studying a decree which it was hoped would clarify provisions of the new copper mining law recently placed in effect. The producers have maintained that they had the right of selling the metal; but three days ago they accepted and signed an agreement with the Government, whereby two thirds of their output would be disposed of in Europe, and the remainder in the US. The Chilean Government had expressed the desire that North American buyers pay 40 cents per pound, and until they do so sales will be limited in that market.

Both the Anaconda and Braden companies, principal producers, reported that prior to the new agreement they had maintained more or less the proportion stipulated. It was estimated that US buyers will take 135,000 tons of the 420,000 tons to be produced this year.—United Press.

The Bank Of England
Statement

London, Aug. 14.

The Bank of England statement for the week ended Aug. 10, reads as follows:

Note in circulation 1,824,000,000
Public deposits 20,204,910
Private deposits 258,180,441
Government securities 27,450,023
Other securities 42,135,263
Receipts 43,132,979
Ratio ... —United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:
U.S. dollar (per \$1) ... 5.51
Sterling notes (per £1) ... 15.57
Australian notes (per £1) ... 15.50
Indonesian rupiah (per 100) ... 15.50
Siam ticals (per 100) ... 23.50
Government (Straits) ... 1.50
Indo-China piastres (per 100) 8.17

Analysis Of World
Grain Trade

Washington, Aug. 14. The Foreign Agriculture Service of the Agriculture Department, in an analysis of world trade grain during 1954-55 (July to June), said today that the United States recovered its position as the greatest exporter of grain and grain products.

In the previous year, Canada had ranked first, due to a large wheat trade.

The FAS estimated that world total grain exports (exclusive of rice) in 1954-55 were 38,282,000 long tons compared with 39,435,000 in 1953-54 and an all-time record of 42,550,000 in 1951-52. The total includes wheat, flour, rye, corn (maize), oats, barley and grain sorghums.

Features of the 1954-55 grain marketing year included:

1. Larger exports of wheat and flour from the United States, Argentina, Australia and France;
2. Gains in relative share of world wheat imports from the non-dollar suppliers such as Argentina and Australia, rather than from dollar countries, as United States and Canada; and
3. Gain by France as a wheat exporter; "France definitely displaced Australia from fourth position, being exceeded only by the United States, Canada and Argentina," the FAS said.

"While it is too early to make a firm prediction, current indications are that in 1955-56 France may not only again displace Australia for fourth place among the exporters, but might crowd Argentina for the third place."

World corn exports in 1954-55 were tentatively estimated by the Foreign Agriculture Service at 4,800,000 long tons compared with 5,149,000 in 1953-54. Exports from the United States declined while those from Argentina increased.

World exports of barley in 1954-55 were estimated at 5,007,000 long tons compared with 6,345,000 in previous year. Exports from the United States gained substantially, but declined from Canada, Australia, and Argentina.—United Press.

U.S. RAW COTTON
EXPORTS

New York, Aug. 14. Raw cotton exports by destination as reported by New York Cotton Exchange for the 1955-56 season to Aug. 9 were as follows:

Britain ... 3,024
Continental ... 19,730
Orient ... 10,000
Canada ... 2,500
Total for season ... 40,100
Same period last year ... 33,033
* excluding liners.—United Press.

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ADMIRAL'S PEN

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Death Of Mr Julius Holm

The death occurred this morning at St Paul's Hospital of Mr Julius Holm. He was 49 years of age.

Graduating from St Joseph's College in 1923, the late Mr Holm joined the Union Insurance Society of Canton Ltd. as a junior clerk. He was senior clerk of the firm's Marine Department.

A keen sportsman, the late Mr Holm, during his school days, represented the School in football and many other athletic events.

He was an ex-member of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps and a member of the Indian Recreation Club and the Special Police Constabulary. During the Japanese occupation he was interned in Shamshuipo camp.

The late Mr Holm is survived by his wife, Myra, two sons, Francis and Julius, two daughters, Mrs L. F. Young, and Geraldine, nine grandchildren, four boys and five girls. He also leaves behind two brothers in Hongkong, Germano and William, three brothers in America, Charles Henry and Peter, and one sister in Germany, Mrs. Dora Knorr.

The funeral will pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m. tomorrow and interment will be in the Catholic Cemetery, Happy Valley.

Drove Without Consideration For Others

Chang Chou-yin, of 23 Centre Street, was charged before Mr W. N. Thomas, Tam at the Central Magistracy this morning with driving without due consideration for other persons using the road.

Defendant was cautioned and had his licence endorsed.

Chow Sin, tram driver, told the court that on March 3, he was driving a tram on his trial run from West to East in Causeway Road. His tram was moving slowly as it had just passed a passenger island when a car suddenly came into his view proceeding at an angle towards the tram in an attempt to turn into Tung Lo Wan Road. As he could not see the indicator of the car from his position in the tram, the result was that the left bumper of the tram rammed into the private vehicle and damaged its rear offside.

His Worship told the defendant that he did not have sufficient intelligence to be a good driver and that he needed a few more lessons.

Carrier Comes Into Port

Flying the flag of Rear-Admiral R. E. Hobbs, Commander of Carrier Division 3, the United States aircraft carrier Oriskany entered port this morning on a recreational visit.

Completed at the New York Navy Yard in 1950, the 38,000-ton Oriskany is making her first visit to Hongkong. She is the name ship of her class (improved Essex Class) of 14 ships. Among her sister ships who have called here are the Essex, Hornet, Kearsarge, Lake Champlain, Wasp and Yorktown.

Oriskany has a length of 888 feet, a carrying capacity of about 100 aircraft and a complement of more than 2,000 officers and men. Her commander is Captain C. L. Westhofen.

Famous Raid Commemorated

Hudding, Aug. 14.

Canadian ex-soldiers from all over Britain took part in a parade and service here today to commemorate the raid on Dieppe in August 1942.

In that raid, which was in preparation for the invasion of Europe, a force of over 6,000 men, most of them Canadians, were landed on the French coast to test German defences. Almost half of the force were casualties.

Today the Duke of Norfolk, Lord Lieutenant of Sussex, took the salute at the parade in which representatives of British, French and Belgian ex-service organizations also took part. — China Mail Special.

OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

Week Of Politics: Election Next December?

FROM H. KING WOOD
Sydney, Aug. 10.

It has been a week of politics more than anything else.

Dr Evatt, Leader of the Opposition and Federal Parliamentary Leader, enlivened an otherwise drab Sunday night by holding a meeting in Sydney Town Hall. He attracted an overflow crowd of about 4,000 who lustily cheered and booed in the appointed places.

It is a little difficult to see where this meeting fitted into the scheme of things in the Labour Party war that has been simmering below the surface for months, but it did keep the Doc before the public eye, enlivened an otherwise dull Sunday and certainly got him many columns of space in Monday's papers, although it is a well known fact that Sunday night news staffs are always chasing around for something that will make news.

Then the Prime Minister announced the appointment of an independent committee to go into the matter of MP's salaries, already £2,000 plus for private members.

What with the recent sleep increases in the screws of top public servants, judges &c, it's pounds to peanuts that our members can look for a substantial rise in the near future, which in turn will lead to a few more protest stoppages by miners and so forth.

The NSW Premier, Mr Cahill, not to be outdone, has also appointed a committee to consider the salaries of State members and one way and the other it looks as though the old inflation spiral is going to get a great old kick along.

ELECTION HINTS

There have been more than gentle hints blowing from Canberra that the Federal Parliament will go to the country in December.

If that happens it will mean that Parliament has lived only half its life and Prime Minister Menzies might be pressed to explain why.

His excuse, of course, will be that he is bringing the Senate and Representatives elections back into line again after the long hiatus of some time ago. His real reason, however, would be that he hopes to catch the Labour Party with its pants down.

We are among those who do not think an election likely this year. There is nothing more uncertain in the world than an election and it seems a risky business to sacrifice nearly two years of office to test the whims of the country.

FANTASTIC RABBIT

But the most fantastic rabbit to be produced from the political hat is the announcement from the State Government that it will shortly re-introduce quarterly adjustments in the basic wage.

This means that we can say goodbye to any sort of stability. The basic wage will make an immediate jump of 7s a week for 400,000 workers, and wages will rise to catch up to that... and away we will go again.

If we are to go through a repeat performance of 1949-55, the prospect is rather frightening and as far as we can find out, the only people who really want it are members of the State Cabinet.

Finally we have the Federal Treasurer more or less joyfully complaining over the fact that he is losing weight while preparing his Budget.

If all the dire forecasts about the Budget are correct, Sir Arthur Fadden can rest assured that many others are going to sweat it out long after his work is finished.

AIR TRAVEL BOOM

Air travel in Australia is booming. All airlines once again report record passenger and freight traffic for the first six months of the year and practically all of them are placing orders for new aircraft.

It is an open secret that before the end of the year three of America's major airlines will be flying regular services between this country and the States and within 12 months more should be flying the Pacific.

A straw in the wind is the latest move by Butler Air Trans-

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"They say my new son-in-law is a good salesman, but I wouldn't know—I'll bet he couldn't sell me any steam shovels!"

Decision Reserved In Karel Weiss Case

Judgment in the proceedings against Karel Weiss, proprietor of Messrs Karel Weiss, Room 304, of Central House, summonsed for alleged default in payment of business tax amounting to \$4,081.29 was reserved by Mr Poon Yan-hoi at Central this morning at the conclusion of submissions by both Crown and Defence Counsel.

Date for the delivery of judgment was fixed for August 27, at 12.15 p.m.

The hearing has covered nine months. It was first heard on November 15, last year.

Weiss, who was alleged to have defaulted in payment of the tax for the year of assessment 1951-1952, was represented in default by the Commissioner of Inland Revenue Department by Mr Marcus A. da Silva, of Messrs A. da Silva and Co., Mr D. N. E. Rea, Crown Counsel, prosecuted, assisted by J. Hardy.

In reply to Mr Silva's submission at the previous hearing Mr Rea said Mr Silva's case was that the tax was levied in default by the Commissioner of Inland Revenue Department was not in fact in default. Throughout the proceedings, he (Mr Rea) had repeatedly submitted that in law this Court, in these proceedings, was not concerned with this matter, nor was it entitled to enquire into Mr Silva's arguments as to facts had been entirely irrelevant.

"I do not propose to deal with the argument as to facts but I would like to make it clear, as I have made it clear throughout the hearing, that neither the Crown nor the Commissioner agree with any of the facts as submitted by my friend. Any suggestion of bad faith made by my friend is negatived by your Worship's ruling.

"My friend in his address left the matters to 'the' reasoning members of the public and I am happy to leave the matter there, also stressing the word, 'reasoning'.

"MISAPPREHENSION"

Mr Rea said the summons was brought under Section 75, of Inland Revenue Ordinance. He would respectfully submit that Mr Silva's submissions were based on a misapprehension of the purpose of this part of the Ordinance.

Section 75, in Part 12, he submitted, was one which dealt with the recovery of tax, and Part II of the Ordinance dealt with the appeals. It would seem that Mr Silva had argued this case as if it were now on an appeal, as if these were the proceedings under Part 11 of the Ordinance and not Part 12.

Section 75 dealt with the recovery of tax on the issue of a certificate to a magistrate. Section 78 provided that the Commissioner might proceed for the recovery of tax in default, under any section contained in Part 12 concurrently or consecutively. Thus, had the Commissioner proceeded under Section 74, and authorized a bailiff to seize the property of Mr Weiss, Mr Weiss would not be entitled to argue with the bailiff as to the merits of the assessment.

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Claim For Possession Of Premises

A claim for possession of the ground floor of No 2 Chi Shing Lane and a sum of \$760 in respect of arrears of rent and mesne profits was brought by Chan Yuen-chun, landlord of the premises, before Judge Reynolds in the Victoria District Court this morning.

Defendants were the Malaya Coconut Company who denied the claim.

Plaintiff was represented by Mr Oswald Cheung, instructed by Mr G. H. Golby of Messrs Johnson, Stokes and Master. Appearing for defendants was Mr Lawrence Leong, instructed by the firm of P. L. Lam.

Mr Cheung said that this was a claim for the possession of the premises which were not within the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance on the ground that the tenancy of the premises which was given by plaintiff to the defendants was determined by a notice to quit.

The Defence had put him to prove that the premises were an entirely new building. The Defence also alleged that a sum of \$2,000 was paid to plaintiff for giving defendants a tenancy, Mr Cheung said.

Counsel said that his client denied the allegation of key money. He submitted further that the Tenancy Ordinance had no application in the present case.

On the first point, whether the premises were an entirely new building, Counsel said that a written permit of the Building Authority to occupy the same had been granted after August, 1944.

ALTERNATIVE OFFER

Outlining his case, Mr Cheung said that his client was a business man and the letting of his property was left in the hands of his accountant, Chan Chang. A woman representative of the defendants, a Miss Lee who was in Court, came to see Chan Chang on January 13, 1955, saying she wanted to take over the ground floor of the premises. She was informed that she could do so either by paying construction money, which was \$3,000, or without paying it, said Mr Cheung.

Miss Lee was further informed that in the former case the rent would be \$340 and in the latter \$380 per month. She left and returned on January 18 with a cheque for \$3,000 which was post-dated February 15, 1955. A receipt for the cheque was given, copy of which Counsel handed up to the Court.

Mr Cheung said that at that interview it was agreed between Chan Chang and Miss Lee that the tenancy, for all purposes, would be reckoned to have commenced on January 15.

That same day (January 18) Miss Lee paid over a sum of \$380 to his client in respect of rent from January 15 to February 14. The keys to the premises were then handed to Miss Lee. She was told that if the cheque was met on due date a rent receipt for \$340 would be issued together with a refund of \$40, as if she had paid the construction money on time. If the cheque was not honoured then defendants had not paid the construction money, and rent of \$380 per month would be charged.

EXTENSION OF TIME

Counsel said that Miss Lee called on Chan Chang on February 15 and requested him not to present the cheque for payment as she had insufficient funds to meet it. She asked for an extension of a week, to which Chan Chang agreed.

At the end of the week, Miss Lee called again and said she would not be able to honour the cheque. She asked for a further extension of 10 days. She was also asked for the rent for the second month and she said she would pay it at the same time.

On March 8, Chan Chang presented the cheque for payment and it was dishonoured. The reasons given by the bank, said Mr Cheung, were that there were insufficient funds and that the drawer's signature differed from the specimen in their possession.

Mr Cheung said that it was alleged in the letter containing the original Defence that defendants paid to plaintiff or his representative a sum of \$2,000 in part payment of the construction fee. Counsel denied the allegation. He said further that subsequently rent was not tendered either in respect of the second or the third month.

On March 15, his client, through his solicitors, addressed a letter to the defendants demanding that they should pay the rent and that his client had objected.

Two Bomb Explosions In Macao

Bomb explosions shattered Macao's quiet night and one of them panicked hundreds of spectators at a swimming meet between Hongkong and Macao teams.

The first explosion blew in the door and windows of a haberdashery shop on Macao's main street.

The second exploded on the terrace of the Macao swimming pool where a large crowd had gathered to watch a meet between teams from Hongkong and Macao. The crowd broke and ran in panic.

There were no casualties. Shortly before midnight, police found a third bomb hidden in the Bela Vista Hotel.

It was at the swimming pool that Choi Tak-kee, vice-chairman of the Macao Chamber of Commerce, survived an assassination attempt on June 19. He and members of his party were wounded when gunmen opened fire on them as they left the Club. The attackers have not been found.—United Press.

"Peaceful Invasion"

(Continued from Page 1)

Party itself is not officially connected with the movement.

Almost all the Indian opposition parties are officially represented on the committee—Communists, the Praja Socialists, the Peasants and Workers Party, the extremist Hindu Mahasabha and Jan Sangh and the Goan National Congress which launched the Satyagraha (peaceful demonstration) movement on Indian Independence Day last year.

Though the Portuguese authorities are preparing mainly for unarmed demonstrations, precautions are being taken against any armed incursions. Police here said they had information that some of the demonstrators might be armed.

Today, hundreds of school-children and young people have been waving Portuguese flags and shouting pro-Portuguese slogans as they thronged the streets of Panaji or New Goa, capital of Goa and of Portuguese India.

They were celebrating one of Portugal's national days, the anniversary of the Battle of Aljubarrota in 1385 (in which a small Portuguese force, aided by a detachment of English archers, sent in response to an appeal for aid, had defeated the forces of Castile).

(Goa was chosen as the chief centre of the Portuguese trading posts on the Indian Ocean in 1510 by Alfonso de Albuquerque. The Portuguese explorer, Vasco da Gama, landed members of the Portuguese nobility in Goa in 1524 to form the first settlement)—Reuter.

Radio Hongkong

Time Signal and Programme Summary: 6.30, Children's Half Hour presented by Sally Ann (Studio); 6.50, Australian News; 7.00, Accents on Rhythm; 7.15, "Box 200"; Bert Gillett at the Organ (OB); 7.30, Announcer's Report; 7.45, Weather Report; 8.00, Time Signal and the News (London News); 8.15, Comedy Monologues (Studio); 8.30, Special Announcements; 8.45, Roundabout; 9.00, The Major Development in Asia countries in the last 10 years (Studio); 9.15, The Legend of Martin-Guinness (Studio); 9.30, The Legend of Martin-Guinness (Studio); 9.45, The Legend of Martin-Guinness (Studio); 10.00, The Legend of Martin-Guinness (Studio); 10.15, The Legend of Martin-Guinness (Studio); 10.30, The Legend of Martin-Guinness (Studio); 10.45, The Legend of Martin-Guinness (Studio); 11.00, The Legend of Martin-Guinness (Studio); 11.15, The Legend of Martin-Guinness (Studio); 11.30, The Legend of Martin-Guinness (Studio); 11.45, The Legend of Martin-Guinness (Studio); 12.00, The Legend of Martin-Guinness (Studio); 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